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GENERAL MINUTES.

Ques. I. Who are admitted on trial?

Ans. Harry Coe Febrey, Charles A. Brown, Boyd V. Switzer, Harvey Q. Burr, Local Deacons; George Hasel.

Ques. II. Who remain on trial?

Ans. Ernest L. Woolf, Howard A. Murrill, Daniel W. Griffin, Local Deacons, continued in this class from last year. Harry W. Burruss, Local Deacon; Seymour Grady.

Ques. III. Who are discontinued?

Ans. None.

Ques. IV. Who are admitted into full connection?

Ans. Linwood Hammond, George H. Echols, Charles H. Cannon, George W. Richardson, Grayson D. Kidner and Charles L. Potter, (Local Elder,) continued in this class from last year. Alfred L. Harnsberger, Wallace O. Tolbert, Frank A. Tyler, George W. Bogle, William H. Best, Henry Lawson, Harry M. Canter, Rovert L. Eutsler. Peter W. Jeffries, admitted in orders from the British Wesleyan Conference. James M. Yorke, admitted in orders from the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Ques. V. Who are re-admitted?

Ans. None.

Ques. VI. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Ans. Charles M. Hawkins, from the S. W. Missouri Conference. James M. Greene, from the Alabama Conference. Pinckney L. Groome, from the W. North Carolina Conference. John R. Tillery, from the North Carolina Conference. John W. Bain, from the Los Angeles Conference.

Ques. VII. Who are the deacons of one year?

Ans. Josiah J. Ringer, M. Preston Weikle, Evan A. Edwards, William E. Henry, David H. Kern, John R. Jacobs.

Ques. VIII. What traveling preachers are elected Deacons? Ans. Frank A. Tyler, George W. Bogle.

Ques. IX. What traveling preachers are ordained Deacons? Ans. Frank A. Tyler, George W. Bogle.

Ques. X. What local preachers are elected Deacons? Ans. Harry Coe Febrey, Edwin E. Overholt, Harvey Q. Burr.

Ques. XI. What local preachers are ordained Deacons? Ans. Harry Coe Febrey, Edwin E. Overholt, Harvey Q. Burr.

Ques. XII. What traveling preachers are elected Elders?

Ans. James M. Anderson, Frederick A. Gains, John H. Dills, William D. Keene, John B. Henry, Charles D. Bulla, Horner H. Sherman.

Ques. XIII. What traveling preachers are ordained Elders? Ans. James M. Anderson, Frederick A. Gains, John H. Dills, William D Keene, John B. Henry, Charles D. Bulla, Horner H. Sherman.

Ques. XIV. What local preachers are elected Elders? Ans. Evander M. Sweet, Jr.

Ques. XV. What local preachers are ordained Elders?

Ques. XVI. Who are located this year?

Ques. XVII. Who are supernumerary?

Ans. J. Newman Hank, Joseph J. Engle, Adam Q. Flaherty, Frances H. Shipley, Allen A. P. Neel.

Ques. XVIII. Who are superannuated?

Ans. Francis M. Mills, Nelson Head, William G. Eggleston, J. Hoffman Waugh, Robert Smith, Charles G. Linthicum, John T. Wightman, James M. Follansbee, James S. Gardner, Ephraim L. Kregelo, Hamilton A. Gaver, Francis A. Mercer, James H. Wolff, Philip S. E. Sixeas, Aaron Boon, James S. Porter, William Hedges, Larkin H. Crenshaw, Sylvanus Townsend, Charles A. Joyce, Joseph J. Crickenberger, Charles L. Damaron, Wesley Hammond, John T. Maxwell, Thomas W. Brown, Hamilton W. Kinzer, Quincy A. Wheat, Jacob S. Hopkins, John O. Tackett.

Ques. XIX. What preachers have died during the past year?

Ans. John W. Tongue, George H. Zimmerman, Alfred O. Armstrong.

Ques. XX. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Ans. Their names were called one by one and their characters were examined and passed.

Ques. XXI. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several Circuits, Stations and Missions of the Conference?

Ans. Local Preachers, 85; Members, 51,139; total 51,224.

Ques. XXII. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

Ans. 1,399.

1480

Ques. XXIII. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

Ans. 897.

1244

Ques. XXIV. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? Ans. 186.

Ques. XXV. What is the number of Epworth League members?

9344 Ans. 8,303.

Ques. XXVI. What is the number of Sunday-Schools? Ans. 597.

Ques. XXVII. What is the number of Sunday-School teachers?

Ans. 5,840.

Ans. 5,840. 54 9 | Ques. XXVIII. What is the number of Sunday-School scholars?

40756 Ans. 41,644.

Ques. XXIX. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? Ans. \$11,175.

Ques. XXX. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Ans. Collections, \$9,036; Publishing House, \$770; Corporate Board, \$1,200; previous balance on hand, \$200; total \$11,175.

Ques. XXXI. What has been contributed for missions?

Ans. Foreign, \$10,331.18; Domestic, \$6,633.10; Woman's Foreign Missionary, \$2,839.43; Home Mission Society, \$1,657.09; total, \$21 460.80.

Ques. XXXII. What has been contributed for Church Extension?

Ans. \$2,466.43.

Ques. XXXIII. What has been done for the American Bible Society? 409

Ans. \$377.

Ques. XXXIV. What has been contributed for the support of Presiding Elders and Preachers in charge.

Ans. Presiding Elders, \$11,675; Preachers in charge, \$119,011.

Ques. XXXV. What has been contributed for the support of Bishops?

Ans. \$1,974.

Ques. XXXVI. What is the number of Societies, and of houses of worship owned by them?

Ans. Number of Societies, 643; Number of Houses of Worship, 545.

XXXVII. What is the value of houses of worship, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon?

Ans. Value, \$1,192,261; Indebtedness, \$48,374.

XXXVIII. What is the number of pastoral charges, and of parsonages owned by them?

Ans. Pastoral Charges, 160; Number of Parsonages, 140.

XXXIX. What is the value of parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon?

Ans. Value, \$213,325; Indebtedness, \$15,663.

XV. What is the number of districts, and of district parsonages?

Number of Districts, &; Number of District Parsonages, 5.

XLI. What is the value of district parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon?

Ans. Value, \$21,500; Indebtedness, \$40.

XLII. What number of churches have been damaged or destroyed during the year by fire or storm, and what was the amount of damage?

Ans. Number of Churches damaged, 2; Amount of damage, \$35.

XLII. What are the insurance statistics?

Ans. Insurance carried, \$427,720; Losses sustained, \$5; Premiums paid, \$1,705; Collections on Losses, \$5.

XLIV. What are the educational statistics?

Ans. Collections, \$1,487; Children's Day, \$597; Paine and Lane Institute, \$308; total, \$2,392; Held jointly with Virginia Conference: Randolph-Macon College—Value of property, \$115,000; endowment, \$160,000; Professors, 7; Pupils, 123. Randolph-Macon Woman's College—Value of property, \$136,000; endowment, \$102,000; Professors, 22; Pupils, 225. Randolph-Macon Academy, Front Royal—Value \$100,000; Professors, 6; Pupils, S2.

XLV. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

Ans. Washington, D. C.

XLVI. Where are the preachers stationed this year? Ans. (See appointments.)

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APPOINTMENTS.

The Figures Refer to the Year of Appointment.

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Baltimore District.		Calvary-D. H. Kern,	2	1
J. A. Anderson, P. E.		North Baltimore—H. Burruss,	1	
Baltimore City:		P. L. Groome.		
Central and Caernarvon-		Taylors'J. L. Shipley,	4	
H. M. Canter,	2	W. E. Henry,	1	V
W. H. Best,	3	West Harford-L. Hammond,	2	
J. N. Hank, Sup'y.		East Harford—J. F. Baggs,	2	
St. Paul's-Charles D. Bulla,	2	Kent—J. E. Wilson,	2	U
Wilkins' Avenue-Wm. Stevens,	3	Queen Anne's—C. L. Kennard,	3	
Emmanuel—J. O. Knott,	1	Church Hill—J. W. Mitchell,	1	20
Frederick AveL. W. Haslup,	3	Hillsboro—C. W. Moore,	1	1
Arlington and Sudbrook-		Easton and Caroline—C. D. Harris,	1	
W L J. S. Hutchinson,	2	(One to be supplie	d.)	
F. A. Tyler,	1	Trappe—G. R. Mays,	2	J
Reisterstown and Mission-		Royal Oak-L. G. Martin,	4	
Wm. M. Waters,	2	Tilghman's—J. W. Beall,	1	8
F. H. Shipley, Supply,	3	Severn – W. E. Miller,	2	_
Freedom-J. M. Hawley,	1	Chesapeake—W. P. C. Coe,	4	-
Howard—T. J. Lambert,	1	West River-C. W. Mark,	2	5
Linganore—A. Weller,	1	Calvert—W. B. Dorsey,	1	Ų,
(One to be supplied.)		J. F. Valliant, Supply.	A	
Frederick City-J. H. Wilhite,	4	Prince George's—A. B. Sites,	2	10
Brunswick-S. M. Bowman,	3	Charles—J. B. Henry,	3	
Rockville—G. D. White,	1	St. Mary's—To be supplied.		
E. A. Edwards,	3	Patuxent-H. M. Roane,	1	
Gaithersburg-W. A. McDonald,	1	Forest Grove—F. Furr,	3	1
Montgomery—W. H. Sanders,	4			
H. C. Febrey,	2	TTT - Pain - A This is a		
Beltsville—H. T. Wirgman,	1	Washington District.		
Wattsville—W. E. Woolf,	1	J. H. Boyd, P. E.	3	
(One to be supplied.)		Mt. Vernon Place—J. W. Duffey,	3	
Emory—F. T. Griffith,	2	Epworth and Mission—		4
Wesley Grove—J. H. DuLany,	4	W. S. Hammond,	1	
Laurel—J. R. Tillery,	1	J. L. Grant,	1	
East Baltimore District.		Marvin—W. F. Locke,	4	
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ISAAC W. CANTER, P. E.	3	F. L. Day,	1	
Baltimore City:		Alexandria—E. V. Regester,	1	- 1
V Trinity—C. M. Hawkins	9	Frederickshurg_I P Stump	3	

Fall's Church—G. T. Tyler,			
Leesburg—J. H. Light,	L. S. Rudasill, Supply.		
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S. Grady,	Geo. Hasel, Student at Vanderbilt Uni	-	
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Jefferson—F. A. Strother,			
Sheperdstown—J. L. Kibler,			
A. A. P. Neel, Sup'y.	W. H. D. Harper,	1	3/
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St. James—H. I. Stephens, 4		Millboro and Gillett's-M. P. Weikle, 1
	1	LeveltonJ. H. Dills, White 4
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Bethany—W. O. Ross, 3	- 1	, , ,
Buchanan—II. L. Myerly, 1	- 1	
Fincastle—J. W. Grubb, 1		Moorefield District.
Glen Wilton—L. Butt, 1		B. F. BALL, P. E. 2
Eagle Rock—R. H. Wilson, 1		Moorefield—D. F. Eutsler, Market
A. Q. Flaherty, Sup'y.		Petersburg—H. A. Murrill, 1
Buena Vista—G. T. D. Collins, \vee 1		Franklin—J. H. Schooley, 2
Rockbridge—W. O. Tolbert, 4	.	Crab Bottom—J. W. McNeil, W. 4370
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,	J. E. ALEXANDER,	Treasurer.
	Clerical.	Lay.
Baltimore District	t—W. E. Woolf	E. D. Preston.
E. Baltimere "		J. B. Myers.
Washington "		W. S. Embrey.
Winchester "	R. Smithson	E. D. Newman.
Rockingham "	W. H. D. Harper	J. P. Houck.
Roaneke "	T. E. Carson	T. T. Fishburne.
Lewisburg "		A. E. Huddleston.
Moorefield "	D. F. Eutsler	J. C. Matheeney.

II.-Joint Board of Finance.

J. C. Jones,	Fresio	dent.	J. B. Myers, Secretary
		J. P. Houck, Treasurer.	
		Clerical.	Lay.
Baltimore Di	strict	—L. L. Lloyd	E. D. Preston.
		L. G. Martin	
		J. W. Grubb	
		S. G. Ferguson	
Rockingham		W. L. Dolly	
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	6.6	H. A. Brown.	A. E. Huddleston.
	4.6	D. F. Eutsler	H. H. Jones.

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E. D. NEWMA	N, President.	E. S. CONRAD, Secretary
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Baltimore Dist	rict—W. Melville	R. O. Shipley.
		J. B. Perrie.
Washington		W. W. Millan.
Winchester '	•	E. D. Newman.
Rockingham '		E. S. Conrad.
Roanoke '		J. B. Buhrman.
Lewisburg '		E. L. Warren.
Moorefield		J. V. Vandiver.
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	W. H. THOMAS,	
	Clerical.	Lay.
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VII.-Corporate Board of Finance.

J. S. GARDNER, President.

J. S. HUTCHINSON, Secretary.

GEORGE N. NUMSEN, Treasurer.

Clerical.

J. S. Gardner,

J. S. Hutchinson,

J. W. Duffey,

T. G. Nevitt.

J. A. Anderson.

Lay.

Charles Shipley,

E. B. Prettyman,

J. O. Shipley,

G. N. Numsen.

COMMITTEES.

On Memoirs.

W. S. Hammond, D. H. Kern, A. M. Cackley, S. K. Cox, L. R. Jones, J. H. Davidson, J. M. Hawley, J. H. Light.

On Conference Relations.

J. H. DuLany, L. G. Martin, G. T. Tyler, J. S. Engle, R. L. Fultz, W. G. Hammond, T. W. Brown, D. F. Eutsler.

On Admissions.

W. H. Sanders, J. H. DuLanv, L. G. Martin, A. B. Sites, W. H. Woolf, R. R. S. Hough, J. R. Andrew, J. W. Duffey, F. J. Prettyman, W. H. D. Harper, H. P. Hamill, J. H. Davidson, H. A. Brown, H. M. Strickler, J. R. VanHorne, D. F. Eutsler.

On Publishing Interests.

Clerical. Lay. E. Baltimore " J. F. Baggs...... J. E. Swift. Washington Winchester 66 J. R. Andrew..... A. C. Nadenbousch. + 6 F. J. Prettyman. Isaac B. Kagev. Rockingham 66 Roanoke A. P. Boude..... E. Lee Walker. Lewisburg C. H. Buchanan. J. W. Boon. Moorefield T. G. Nevitt......J. W. Vandiver.

On Temperence.

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On Bible Cause.

		Clerical.	Lay.
Baltimore Dis	strict-	-J. C. Hawk	R. O. Shipley.
		W. E. Miller	
Washington	4.6	Λ. Weller	Tyson Janney.
Winchester	4.6	James H. Wolff	James Gaver.
Rockingham	4.6	J. W. Canter	G. W. C. Karnes.
Roanoke	6.6	W. D. Keene	R. H. Farrier.
	4.6	A. C. Hamill	A. E. Huddleston.
Moorefield	. 6	J. W. Mitcheli	E. C. Beatty.

District Conference Records.

F. T. Griffith, C. W. Mark, J. H. Wells, T. J. Miller, C. D. Harris, H. L. Myerly, L. B. Atkins, C. E. Simmons.

On Gollections.

W. A. McDonald, S. V. Hildebrand, W. F. Locke, O. C. Beall, W. L. Dolly, G. T. D. Collins, H. A. Wilson, W. W. Newberry.

Examinations.

J. A. Anderson,	C. D. Harris,	C. Sydenstricker,
1st Year-J. L. Kibler,	H. I. Stevens,	C. H. Buchanan,
2d Year—J. H. Light,	J. R. VanHorne,	W. P. C. Coe,
3d Year—S. G. Ferguson,	L. R. Markwood,	J. S. Engle,
4th Year-H. H. Kennedy,	W. H. D. Harper.	J. T. Williams.

On Public Worship.

Presiding Elder of Washington District and the City Pastors.

On Publication of Conference Minutes.

J. E. Armstrong, G. T. Tyler,

A. R. Martin.

To Nominate the Place of Conference Session.

J. P. Hyde, J. T. Wightman, C. H. Buchanan, E. B. Prettyman.

To Receive and Distribute Letters.

G. T. D. Collins.

Rairoad Transportation Agent.

J. P. Hyde.

Elected at the Close of Conference for Jour Years.

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T. E. Carson, President.

J. L. Shipley, Socretary
J. E. Alexander, Treasurer.

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Baltimore Dis	strict-	-W. E. Woolf	O. W. Hammond.
E. Baltimore	66	J. L. Shipley	E. W. King.
Washington	6.6	J. P. Stump	J. E. Alexander.
Winchester	4.6	S. G. Ferguson	G. W. Larick.
Rockingham	6.6	H. S. Coe	
Roanoke	4.6	T. E. Carson	
	66	O. F. Burgess	
Moorefield	6.6	D. L. Reid	

II.—Joint Board of Finance.					
J. C. Jones,		J. B. Myers, Secretary.			
J. P. Houck, Treasurer.					
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Washington	" W. H. Woolf	W. S. Embrey.			
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Rockingham	" W. L. Dolly	J. P. Houck.			
Roanoke	" Rumsey Smithson	R. H. Farrier.			
Lewisburg	" H. A. Brown	A. E. Huddleston.			
Moorefield	" D. F. Eutsler	H. H. Jones.			
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Washington					
Winchester		E. D. Newman.			
Rockingham		E. S. Conrad.			
Roanoke		C. B. Camper.			
Lewisburg		J. M. McWhorter.			
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	W. H THOMAS,				
	Clerical.	Lay.			
	strict—W. M. Waters				
E. Baltimore		E. B. Magruder.			
Washington		W. H. Thomas.			
Winchester		Jas. Gaver.			
Rockingham	•	H. H. Blease.			
Roanoke		H. H. Dickey.			
Lewisburg		Geo. Jeffries.			
Moorefield	" H. M. Strickler	Josh. Zimmerman.			
V-Board of Church Extension.					
S. K. Cox,		J. W. Woods, Secretary.			
	J. M. Berry,	Treasurer.			
	Clerical.	Lay.			
Baltimore Di	istrict—J. S. Hutchinson	J. E. Crout.			
E. Baltimore	W. E. Miller	J. M. Berry, Jr.			
Washington	•	P. V. D. Conway.			
Winchester		F. K. Weaver.			
Rockingham		G. W C. Karnes.			
Roanoke		J. W. Woods.			
Lewisburg	" J. R. VanHorne	J. W. Boon.			
Moorefield	" T. G. Nevitt	J. W. Vandiver.			

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E. Baltimore	66	J. E. Wilson	O. C. Michael.
Washington	44	J. H. Light	F. E. Woodward.
Winchester	66	J. L. Kibler	L. A. Adams.
Rockingham	6.6	F. J. Prettyman	Frank B. Kennedy.
Roanoke	66	W. H. H. Joyce	J. P. Woods.
Lewisburg	66	J. H. Dills	J. W. Smoot.
Moorefield	6.6	W. H. Ballanger	B. H. Heiner.

VII.—Corporate Board of Finance.

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GEORGE N. NUMSEN, Treasurer.

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J. S. Hutchinson,	E. B. Prettyman,
J. W. Duffey,	J. O. Shipley,
T. G. Nevitt,	G. N. Numsen.
J. A. Anderson.	

APPOINTED AT THE

Close of Conference,

To Serve Next Year.

Committees on Examination.

For Admissions on Trial:

L. L, Lloyd,	J. F. Baggs,	H. H. Sherman.
1st Year-J. S. Engle,	H. L. Hout,	W. F. Locke.
2d Year-F. J. Prettyman,	J. H. DuLany,	H. T. Wirgman.
3d Year—H. S. Coe,	J. L. Shipley,	W. M. Waters.
4th Year-J. A. Kern,	S. K. Cox,	W. O. Ross.

To Preach the Opening Sermon, 1900.

J. A. Kern. Alternate: H. T. Wirgman.

Committee on Memoirs.

J. M. Hawley,	D. H. Kern,	W. S. Hammond,
J. S. Engle,	L. R. Jones,	J. H. Davidson,
C. Lynch,		D. M. Brown.

Visitors to Valley Female College, Winchester, Va.

A. M. Cackley, J. C. Thrasher, J. S. Engle.

JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY,

WEDNESDAY, April 5, 1899.

THE BALTIMORE ANNUAL CONFERENCE of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, commenced its One Hundred and Fifteenth Session in the Mount Vernon Place M. E. Church, South, Washington, D. C., Wednesday Morning, April 5, 1899, at 9.30 A. M.

Bishop J. C. Granbery, D. D., President of the Conference, in the chair. The Bishop read as the lesson from the Gospel, Matthew, eighteenth chapter.

Conference united in singing hymn 228-

"And are we yet alive."

Roll—By request of the President, Rev. James E. Armstrong, the Secretary of the last Conference, called the roll of clerical and lay members, and one hundred and forty-six clerical and fifteen lay members responded as follows: (See Roll.)

Secretary—Upon nomination, James E. Armstrong was re-elected Secretary, with the privilege of nominating his assistants, and—

Assistants—Eldridge V. Regester, George T. Tyler, Asbury R. Martin, J. P. Stump, Henry S. Coe and Wm. M. Waters were re-elected assistant secretaries.

The Bar of the Conference was fixed on a line with the second pillars across the Church.

The Hour for meeting was fixed for 9 A. M. and for adjournment at 12 noon.

Substitutes—On the roll of Lay Representatives, Lewis M. Adams was substituted for John W. Santmyer on the Winchester District.

Question Six of the General Minutes was called, viz: Who are received by transfer?

The Bishop presented the names of Charles M. Hawkins, from Southwest Missouri Conference; James M. Greene, from Alabama Conference John R. Tillery, from North Carolina Conference; P. L. Groome, from West North Carolina Conference; J. M. Bain, from Los Angeles Conference, as having been transferred to this Conference, and they were severally introduced.

Boards—The Several Conference Boards were announced, and on nomination the following committees were appointed. (See Boards, page 11.)

On motion it was ordered that the committee on Admissions consist of two clerical members instead of one from each Presiding Elder's District.

A committee on Public Worship was appointed, consisting of the Presiding Elder of Washington District and the city pastors.

The committee on the publication of the Minutes was continued the same as last year.

On motion, W. B. Dorsey was appointed to take subscriptions for the publication of the Conference Minutes, and A. L. Harnsberger was appointed to take subscriptions and make collections on the Minutes of the Baltimore Conference, 1862-65.

W. H. H. Joyce was appointed Conference Postmaster.

The report of Barbee & Smith, book agents for the Publishing House at Nashville, was presented, read and referred to the Committee on Publishing Interests.

The report of Rev. Jas. Atkins, D. D., Sunday School Editor, was presented, read and referred to the Sunday School Board.

The report of Drs. W. R. Lambuth, D. D., and J. H. Pritchett, D. D., Missionary Secretaries, was presented, read and referred to the Conference Board of Missions.

The report of Rev. P. H. Whisner, D. D., Corresponding Secretary of Church Extension, was presented, read and referred to the Conference Board of Church Extension.

The report of Geo. Williams Walker, President of Paine Institute, was presented, read and referred to the Board of Education.

Superannuates—Question twenty of the General Minutes was called, viz: Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

The characters of Francis M. Mills, Nelson Head, William G. Eggleston, J. Hoffman Waugh, Robert Smith, Charles G. Linthicum, James M. Follansbee, Ephraim L. Kregelo, Hamilton A. Gaver, Francis A. Mercer, Philip S. E. Sixeas, Aaron Boon, William Hedges. Larkin H. Crenshaw, Sylvanus Townsend, Charles A. Joyce, Joseph J. Crickenberger, Charles L. Damaron, Wesley Hammond, John T. Maxwell, Hamilton W. Kinzer, Quincy A. Wheat, Jaeob S. Hopkins, John O. Tackett, were examined and passed, and on motion their names were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for a superannuated relation. The character of Charles D. LeFew was examined and passed. When the name of John W. Tongue was called his Presiding Elder stated that he had died in the Lord.

Supernumeraries—The characters of J. Newman Hank, Joseph J. Engle, Adam Q. Flaherty, Francis H. Shipley, Allen A. P. Neel were examined and passed, and their names were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for a Supernumerary relation.

Presiding Elders' Reports—The several Presiding Elders, James A. Anderson of the Baltimore District, Isaac W. Canter of the East Baltimore District, James H. Boyd of the Washington District, Beverly W. Bond of the Winchester District, James E. Armstrong of the Rockingham District, David Bush of the Roanoke District, Jefferson D. Martin of the Lewisburg District, Benjamin F. Ball of the Moorefield District, represented the state of their respective districts, and their characters were severally examined and passed.

Conference adjourned with singing the Doxology and with the Benediction by Bishop Granbery to meet tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 1899.

Conference met according to appointment.

Bishop Granbery in the chair.

Religious exercises were conducted by S. K. Cox.

The Roll was called and thirty-three clerical and seven lay members additional responded as present.

On motion the further calling of the roll was suspended, with the understanding that members appearing subsequently report their names as present to the Secretary.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

On the Committee on Conference Relations J. S. Engle was substituted for J. C. Thrasher.

Reports from the Secretary and Treasurer of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Baltimore Conference were presented and read.

The following additional members of the Committee on Admissions were nominated and elected in accordance with the order of the Conference on yesterday, viz.:

Baltimore District, J. H. DuLany; East Baltimore District, A. B. Sites; Washington District, J. W. Duffey; Winchester District, J. R. Andrew; Rockingham District, F. J. Prettyman; Roanoke District, H. P. Hamill; Lewisburg District, H. A. Brown; Moorefield District, H. M. Strickler.

A Memorial from the Washington District Conference relating to support of temporary ministerial supplies was presented, read and referred to the Conference Board of Missions.

Question Two of the General Minutes was called, viz.: Who remain on trial?

The characters of Harry W. Burruss, Seymour Grady were examined and passed, and having also passed in examination before the Committee on the Course of Study, they were continued on trial.

Question Eight of the General Minutes. What traveling preachers are elected Deacons?

The characters of Frank A. Tyler, George W. Bogle were examined and passed, and having also passed in examination before the Committee on the Course of Study they were severally elected deacons.

The characters of Harry M. Canter, Alfred L. Harnsberger, Wallace O. Tolbert, William H. Best, Henry Lawson and Robert L. Eutsler were examined and passed, and having also passed in examination before the Committee on the Course of Study, but having been previously ordained as local preachers, their names will appear under question four.

The characters of Ernest L. Woolf, Howard A, Murrill and Daniel W. Griffin were examined and passed, but not having passed in examination before the Committee on the Course of Study, they were continued in the class of the second year.

Rev. H. M. DuBose, D. D., Epworth League Secretary; Rev. J. D. Hammond, D. D., Secretary of the Board of Education; Rev. J. H. Pritchett, D. D., one of the Missionary Secretaries, were introduced.

Dr. Pritchett addressed the Conference on the subject of Missions.

James P. Woods, alternate delegate, was substituted for Highly H. Dickey from Roanoke District, and was also substituted for J. W. Woods on the Board of Church Extension.

Question Seven of the General Minutes, viz: Who are the Deacons of one year?

The characters of Josiah J. Ringer, M. Preston Weikle, Evan A. Edwards, William E. Henry, David H. Kern, John R. Jacobs were examined and passed, and having also passed in examination before the Committeee on the Course or Study they were advanced to the class of the fourth year.

The characters of Linwood Hammond, George H. Echols, Charles H. Cannon, George W. Richardson, Grayson D. Kidner, Charles L. Potter, were examined and passed, but not having passed on the Course of Study before the Committee on Examination, they will be subject to examination in the class of the third year.

Alfred L. Harnsberger having already passed in examination of character, having also passed in examination before the Committee on the Course of Study in the class of the second year, passed also an approved examination before the Committee on the Course of Study for the third year.

G. T. D. Collins was on motion substituted for W. H. H. Joyce as Conference Postmaster.

Question Twelve of the General Minutes: What traveling Preachers are elected Elders?

The characters of James M. Anderson, Frederick A. Gains, John H. Dills, William D. Keene, John B. Henry, Charles D. Bulla, Homer H. Sherman were examined and passed, and having also passed in examination before the Committee on the Course of Study they were severally elected Elders.

The characters of Oscar W. Lusby, David L. Blakemore of this class, already local Elders, were examined and passed.

On motion Conference determined to meet in the church, tomorrow, Friday, at 2 P. M., to wait upon the President of the United States at the White House.

J. W. Duffey was appointed Marshal and J. S. Hutchinson and J. P. Stump doorkeepers.

On motion the Board of Missions, Joint Board of Finance, Board of Church Extension and Sunday School Board were required to make up a deficiency of \$40 in the cost of the publication of the Conference Minutes for lastyear.

J. C. Jones was granted leave of absence.

Question Twenty of the General Minutes: Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

The characters of William Stevens, William S. Hammond, Lemuel W. Haslup, John S. Hutchinson, Frank L. Day, William M. Waters, William A. McDonald, William E. Woolf, B. Lee Parrott, John H. Wilhite, Samuel M. Bowman, Lewis L. Lloyd, William H. Sanders, John C. Hawk, William Melville, Frank T. Griffith, James H. DuLany, Thomas J. Lambert, Frazier Furr of the Baltimore District were examined and passed.

The characters of Charles M. Hawkins, David H. Kerr, J. Lester Shipley, Henry T. Heironimus, James F. Baggs, J. Edgar Wilson, Clarence L. Kennard, Simpson V. Hildebrand, Hamilton M. Roane, Henry T. Wirgman, George R. Mays, Lewis G. Martin, William E. Miller, W. P. Conway Coe, Charles W. Mark, Edward H. Henry, Alfred B. Sites, Charles W. Moore of the East Baltimore District were examined and passed.

On motion Conference adjourned with singing the Doxology and with the Benediction by Bishop Granbery, to meet tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, APRIL 7, 1899.

Conference met at the appointed hour.

Bishop Granbery in the chair.

Religious services were conducted by J. A. Kern.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The report of the visitors to the Valley Female College was presented, read and referred to the Board of Education.

Question Twenty of the General Minutes was called, viz.: Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

The characters of John R. Tillery of the Baltimore District and J. W. Duffey, John W. Beall, John O. Knott, William F. Locke, James T. Williams, James H. Wells, James P. Stump, A. M. Cackley, E. V. Regester, C. Sydenstricker, W. H. Woolf, S. B. Dolly, C. S. Stanton, A. Weller, C. K. Millican, G. T. Tyler, J. S. Gardner, J. W. Grubb, C. B. Sutton, J. C. Sedwick, A. R. Martin, W. T. Gover of the Washington District, Samuel K. Cox, L. Fox, John C. Thrasher, Luke R. Markwood, Henry H. Kennedy, Harrah M. Reed, John S. Engle, I. G. Michael, Thomas J. Miller, Robert R. S. Hough, Oliver C. Beall, Walter J. Hubbard, Sydnor G. Ferguson, Henry S. Coe, Rumsey Smithson, James H. Wolf, James L. Kibler, John A. Kern, John P. Hyde of the Winchester District were examined and passed.

The character of James S. Porter was examined and passed, and, on motion, his name was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for a superannuated relation.

Question Four of the General Minutes was called, viz.: Who are admitted into full connection?

Alfred L. Harnsberger, Wallace O. Tolbert, Frank A. Tyler, George W. Bogle. William H. Best, Henry Lawson, Harry M. Canter, Robert L. Eutseler came forward as their names were called. After earnest and suitable address delivered by Bishop Granbery the questions prescribed by

the discipline were severally answered affirmatively and they were admitted into full connection.

Bishop John F. Hurst of the M. E. Church, Rev. F. M. Bristol, D. D. of the M. E. Church, Rev. James Atkins, D. D., Sunday School Secretary, were introduced.

Report No. 1 from the Epworth League Board was presented and read. E. S. Conrad addressed the Conference, and on motion the report was laid on the table.

Report No. 1 from the Board of Education was presented and read.

Rev. J. D. Hammond, D. D., Secretary of the Board of Education, Bishop Wilson, W. W. Smith, Chancellor of the R. M. system, addressed the Conference.

With the understanding that the Board of Education insert an amendment to their report, applying five per cent. of the collections to the cause of education in our foreign fields, on motion the report was adopted.

The action of yesterday, arranging for the Conference to meet today in the church at 2 P. M. to wait upon the President of the United States was on motion reconsidered, and on motion Conference determined to meet at the entrance to the White House at 2. 45 P. M.

On motion Conference adjourned with singing the Doxology and with the Benediction by Bishop Wilson, to meet tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

FOURTH DAY

SATURDAY, April 8, 1899.

Conference met at the appointed hour.

Bishop Granbery in the chair.

Religious services were conducted by J. W. Bain.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Question Ten of the General Minutes was called, viz: What local Preachers are elected Deacons?

The recommendations of Harry Coe Febrey from the Baltimore District, Edwin E. Overholt from the Washington District, Harry Q. Burr from the Roanoke District were presented in proper form, and they were severally elected to Deacons' orders.

George R. Mays was granted leave of absence.

Question Fourteen: What local Preachers are elected Elders?

The recommendation of Evander M. Sweet, Jr., from the Washington District was presented in due form, and having certified in writing his belief in the dectrines and discipline of our church, he was elected to Elder's orders.

A communication from Rev. Oliver Helmstreet, Secretary and General Agent of the Maryland Association for the Promotion of Sabbath Observance, was presented and read, and on motion it was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

The Conference Board of Missions presented their report in regard to the Memorial from the Washington District Conference concerning the support of ministers temporarily supplying work, as follows: The following resolution was adopted by the Conference Board of Missions:

Resolved, That we have considered the Memorial of the Washington District Conference referred to us, and that it be returned to the Conference with the statement that we do not feel that we can take any action in the matter contained in the Memorial.

J. L. SHIPLEY, Secretary.

On motion the report was adopted.

Question One: Who are admitted on trial?

The recommendations of Harry Coe Febrey from the Baltimore District, George Hasel from the Winchester District, Charles A. Brown, Boyd V. Switzer from the Rockingham District, Harvey Q. Burr from the Roanoke District were presented in due form, and having passed in examination before the Committee on the Course of Study, and having been also recommended by the Committee on Admissions, they were severally admitted on trial.

The following resolution was presented and read, viz:

Resolved, That the Committee on Publishing Interests be and they are hereby instructed to consider what action, if any, is necessary to be taken by this Conference touching the methods used by our representatives in their efforts to secure the passage of the bill by Congress granting the claim of \$288,000 for the use and damage of our Publishing House by the army of the United States during our civil war.

J. A. KERN,
J. T. WIGHTMAN,
A. M. CACKLEY,
S. G. FERGUSON,
SAMUEL K. COX,
H. H. KENNEDY,
T. G. NEVITT,
RUMSEY SMITHSON,
BERNY P. HAMILL,
S. G. FERGUSON,
D. FRANK EUTSLER,
W. W. MILLAN,
A. E. HUDDLESTON.

It was moved and seconded to lay the resolution on the table. The vote was taken, and upon a call for division the resolution was tabled by a rising vote. 110 ayes, 48 noes.

The following resolution was presented and read, and on motion it was adopted:

Resolved, That we hereby express our grateful appreciation of the generous bequests of the late Miss Melissa Baker of Baltimore to various interests in our Conference and the general church, and trust that her noble example of liberality will be imitated by others among us whom God has enriched with this world's goods.

SAMUEL K. COX, JAMES H. BOYD, J. S. HUTCHINSON, B. W. BOND.

J. W. DUFFEY, W. H. D. HARPER, BENJ. F. BALL,

On motion, Monday morning next at 11 o'clock was fixed as the hour to consider nominations for the place of the next Conference Session.

Applications for admission into full connection and for recognition as ordained Elders of Rev. James M. Yorke, from the Methodist Episcopal

Church, Rev. Peter W. Jeffries from the British Wesleyan Conference, Rev. Jos. F. Valliant from the Methodist Protestant Church were presented.

By a viva voce vote in the cases of Rev. James M. Yorke and Rev. Peter W. Jeffries, and by a rising vote, 67 ayes, 49 noes, in the case of Rev. Joseph F. Valliant, with the understanding that they take upon themselves our ordination vows, and that Joseph F. Valliant pass the disciplinary examinations on the course of study, they were received into full connection under Question Four of the General Minutes.

On motion the name of James H. Wolff was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for a superannuated relation.

The following resolution was presented and read, and on motion it was adopted:

Whereas, a bequest of \$2,000 has been placed in the hands of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, by the will of Mrs. Mary S. Haines of Loudoun county, Virginia, to be expended in Home Mission work in the bounds of the Baltimore Conference, as the Conference may direct; therefore,

Resolved, that the Conference Board of Missions be instructed to consider and report what action should be taken at this time.

W. H. Woolf, J. A. KERN.

Rev. W. S. Campbell, agent of the Virginia State Bible Society, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

Reports Nos. 2 and 3 of the Board of Education were presented and read, and on motion they were adopted.

Rev. J. J. Tigert, D. D., Book Editor at Nashville, Tenn., addressed the Conference in the interest of the Methodist Review.

Report No. 1 from the Committee on Conference Relations was presented and read as follows:

The Committee on Conference Relations beg leave to report on the following cases for a supernumerary relation:

J. Newman Hank, Jos. J. Engle. Adam Q. Flaherty, Francis H. Shipley, Allen A. P. Neel.

For a superannuated relation:

Francis M. Mills, Nelson Head, William G. Eggleston, J. Hoffman Waugh, Robert Smith, Charles G. Linthicum, James M. Follansbee, Ephraim L. Kregelo, Hamilton A. Gaver, Francis A. Mercer, Philip S. E. Sixeas, Aaron Boon, James S. Porter, William Hedges, Larkin H. Crenshaw, Sylvanus Townsend, Charles A. Joyce, Joseph J. Crickenberger, Charles L. Damaron, Wesley Hammond, John T. Maxwell, Hamilton W. Kinzer, Quincey A. Wheat, Jacob S. Hopkins, John O. Tacket.

G. T. TYLER, Secretary.

J. H. DULANY, Chairman.

Question Seventeen of the General Minutes was called, viz.: Who are supernumerary?

The vote was taken on the cases recommended in the Report of the Committee on Conference Relations for a supernumerary relation and it was granted them.

Question Eighteen of the General Minutes was called, viz.: Who are superannuated?

The vote was taken on the cases recommended in the Report of the Committee on Conference Relations for a superannuated relation and it was granted them.

Rev. James Atkins, D. D., Sunday School Editor at Nashville, Tenn., addressed the Conference.

The report of Rev. J. D. Hammond, D. D., Secretary of the Board of Education, was presented, read and referred to the Conference Board of Education.

The report of J. E. Alexander, Treasurer of the Board of Missions, was presented and read.

On motion, Tuesday evening next at eight o'clock was fixed as the time for the consideration of the Twentieth Century Thanksgiving offering.

Conference adjourned with singing the Doxology and with the Benediction by Bishop Granbery, to meet on Monday morning, 9 o'clock.

FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY, April 10, 1899.

Conference met pursuant to adjournment.

Bishop Granbery in the chair.

Religious services were conducted by H. P. Hamill.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Rev. Herbert M. Hope, Assistant Editor of the Richmond Christian Advocate, was introduced.

Question Nine of the General Minutes was called: What truveling Preachers are ordained Deacons?

Bishop Granbery certified that on yesterday morning after sermon in Mount Vernon Place Church, he ordained the following traveling preachers Deacons, viz: Frank A. Tyler, George W. Bogle.

Question Eleven—What local Preachers are ordained Deacons? Harry Coe Febrev, Edwin C. Overholt, Harvey Q. Burr.

Question Thirteen - What traveling Preachers are ordained Elders?

Bishop Granbery certified that last night, after sermon at Mount Vernon Place Church by Bishop Wilson, assisted by him, D. Bush, Isaac W. Canter and E. H. Henry, he ordained the following traveling preachers Elders: James M. Anderson, Frederick A. Gains, John H. Dills, William D. Keene, John B. Henry, Charles D. Bulla and Homer H. Sherman.

James M. Yorke, Joseph F. Valliant and Peter W. Jeffries, who had been received on Saturday from other churches, took on them our ordination vows.

Question Twenty—Are all the Preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

The characters of Forrest J. Prettyman, Wm. H. D. Harper, William L. Dolly, Carlton D. Harris, John W. Canter, William J. Whitesell, George D. White, J. Kyle Gilbert, Robert L. Fultz, Leonidas Butt, William B. Dorsey, James H. Smith, Louis R. Jones, Rufus M. Wheeler, Thomas Briley, Thomas Cooper, William H. Marsh, Asbury C. McNeer of the Rockingham District were examined and passed.

The characters of Thomas E. Carson, John C. Jones, Henry I. Stephens, Walter W. Watts, George T. D. Collins, William O. Ross, James L. Henderson, Francis A. Strother, William G. Hammond, John L. Grant, William H. H. Joyce, John T. Wightman, A. Poe Boude, Henry L. Myerly, John H. Davidson, German O. Homan, Henry P. Hamill, Lewis H. Graybill, Collins Denny of the Roanoke District were examined and passed.

The characters of Rufus H. Wilson, Charles Lynch, Henry A. Brown, Henry A. Wilson, William L. Smith, Oscar F. Burgess, Henry S. Hout, Archibald C. Hamill, Levi B. Atkins, C. Harry Buchanan, James R. Van Horne, Henry D. Bishop, Jacob M. Eavey of the Lewisburg District, were examined and passed.

The character of Thomas W. Brown was examined and passed, and on motion his name was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for a superannuated relation.

The characters of David F. Eutsler, Charles M. Sarver, John H. Schooley, John W. McNeil, John H. Light, John H. Kuhlman, William W. Newberry, William H. Ballangee, Daniel M. Brown, David L. Reid, John W. Mitchell, William A. Sites, Charles E. Simmons, Norman N. Hall, H. Monroe Strickler, Thomas G. Nevitt, Samuel A. Parker of the Moorefield District, were examined and passed.

On motion, the action of the Conference on Saturday receiving Joseph F. Valliant into full connection, was reconsidered.

On motion, the case of Joseph F. Valliant was referred to the Committee on Admissions.

Report No. 4 from the Board of Education was presented and read, and on motion it was adopted.

Bishop Galloway addressed the Conference in relation to the Twentieth Century Thank Offering.

Question Forty-five — Where shall the next Session of the Conference be held? The order of the day was taken up.

John P. Hyde, chairman of the committee to nominate the place of the Conference Session, presented invitations from Clifton Forge, Calvary Church in Baltimore, the Churches in Roanoke for Greene Memorial. The Churches in Washington extended an invitation for the next Session at Mount Vernon Place.

By a rising vote Mount Vernon Place, Washington City, was chosen as the place of the next Session.

On motion, the time of the Session was extended.

On motion, the Bishops were requested to appoint the first Wednesday in April as the time of meeting for the ensuing Sessions of the Conference.

Rev. Dr. A. W. Pitzer, of the Southern Presbyterian Church, was introduced.

On motion, tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock was fixed as the time for receiving the report of the Committee on Memoirs.

On motion, the committee to nominate the place of Conference Sessions was reappointed, viz: J. P. Hyde, J. T. Wightman, C. H. Buchanan, E. B. Prettyman.

The following resolution was presented and read, and on motion it was

adopted by a rising vote.:

Resolved, That the hearty sympathy of the Conference and assurance of our sincere prayers be tendered to Dr. J. J. Lafferty, whose son, Dr. Walter Lafferty, was on yesterday removed from this life by a sad accident at Crozet.

J. S. Hutchinson,

P. H. WHISNER,

J. S. GARDNER.

Report No. 1 from the Joint Board of Finance, with the accompanying report of the Treasurer, was presented and read, and on motion it was adopted.

On motion, Conference adjourned with singing the Doxology, and with the Benediction by Bishop Galloway, to meet tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

SIXTH DAY.

TUESDAY MORNING, April 11, 1889.

Conference met at the appointed hour.

Bishop Granbery in the chair.

Religious services were conducted by W. E. Miller.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The Report of the Committee on Temperance was presented and read, and on motion it was adopted. (See Appendix.)

Report No. 2 of the Committee on Conference Relations was presented

and read, as follows:

The Committee on Conference Relations beg leave to report on the following names: For a Superannuated relation, James H Wolff, Thomas W. Brown.

Question Eighteen of the General Minutes: Who are Superannuated? The vote was taken on the cases recommended in the Report of the Committee on Conference Relations for a Superannuated relation, and it was granted them.

The Report of the Committee on Publishing Interests was presented and read, and on motion it was adopted. (See Appendix.)

The Report of the Treasurer of the Corporate Board of Finance was presented and read. (See Appendix.)

The Report of the Committee on the Debt of the Wesleyan Female Institute at Staunton. Va., was presented and read, and on motion it was dopted. (See Appendix.)

The Report of the Committee on Admissions was presented and read, and the following resolution embodied in the report was on motion adopted:

Resolved, That Joseph F. Valliant be not recommended for admission on trial at this Conference, nevertheless nothing in this failure in recommendation is to be construed as unfavorable to his employment by one of our Presiding Elders during the ensuing year.

W. H. D. HARPER, Chairman.

The Report from the Statistical Secretaries was presented and read, answering questions twenty-one, twenty-two, twenty-three, twenty-four, twenty-five, twenty-six, twenty-seven, twenty-eight, thirty-six, thirty-seven, thirty-eight, thirty-nine, forty, forty-one, forty-two, forty-three in the General Minutes. (See General Minutes.)

Questions twenty-nine, thirty, thirty-one, thirty-two, thirty-three, thirty-four, thirty-five were called and answered. (See General Minutes.)

J. T. Wightman addressed the Conference, asking to be granted a Supernumerary relation.

On motion, Conference unanimously referred the uame of J. T. Wightman to the Committee on Conference Relations for a Superannuated relation.

The Report of the Epworth League Board was presented and read, and on motion it was adopted. (See Appendix.)

The Conference Board of Missions, to whom was referred the resolution offered to the Conference concerning the bequest of Mrs. Mary A. Haines, of Loudon county, Virginia, reported the following resolution, and on motion it was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed, consisting of the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Board, to see if the power of the Corporate Board of Finance can be extended beyond its present limit for receiving gifts and bequests; and if it be learned that this cannot be done, then this committee is empowered to take such steps as will establish a corporate body for receiving such gifts and devises as shall be made for missions and other church objects.

J. L. Shipley, Secretary,

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 10, 1899.

Rev. P. H. Whisner, D. D., Corresponding Secretary of Church Extension at Louisville, Ky., addressed the Conference in the interest of his work.

Bishop Wilson addressed the Conference on behalf of Ya-wah-ta-ha-ma, Japan, in order to procure a lot on which to build a Church.

On motion, Conference ordered that a collection be lifted, and \$181 were subscribed.

The Report from the Board of Church Exiension, the report of P. V. D. Conway, Treasurer, and also the Report of the Woman's Home Mission Society were presented and read, and on motion they were adopted. (See Appendix.)

The Report of the Committee on District Conference Records was presented and read, and on motion it was adopted. (See Appendix.)

The Report of the Committee on the Bible Cause was presented and read, and on motion it was adopted. (See Appendix.)

The name of J. S. Gardner was presented by his Presiding Elder for reference to the Committee on Conference Relations for a Superannuated relation, and on motion it was so referred.

Report No. 5 of the Board of Education was presented and read, and on motion it was adopted. (See Appendix.)

On motion-

Resolved, That we hereby express to the good people of Washington our sincere appreciation of their generous entertainment of the members of the Conference during the present Session, and assure them of our earnest prayers that Heaven's choicest blessing may continue to abide upon all their homes.

John P. Hyde,

J. S. HUTCHINSON, SAMUEL K. Cox.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Conference are due, and are hereby given, to the various lines of railroads for special rates of transportation afforded the members of Conference to and from the present session.

J. P. HYDE, J. H. DULANY, WILLIAM G. HAMMOND.

A collection was on motion lifted to meet the balance due on the publilication of the Conference Minutes for 1862-'65.

The following Preamble and Resolutions were presented and read, and on motion they were adopted:

WHEREAS, The Czar of Russia has requested a meeting of representatives from the leading nations of the Earth, to consider the expediency and practicability of settling hereafter all questions of international differences and dispute by peaceful arbitration rather than by the arbitrament of the sword; therefore—

Resolved, That as the servants of the Prince of Peace, we give our heartiest approval and endorsement to this act of one of the chief rulers of the world, and earnestly express the hope and breathe the prayer that the day is not distant in the history of the world when in fulfillment of ancient prophecy: "Men shall beat their swords into plough shares, and their spears into pruning hooks, and the nations of the earth learn war no more."

Samuel K. Cox,

W. H. D. HARPER, J. T. WIGHTMAN, JOHN T. HYDE.

Conference determined that when it adjourn, it adjourn to meet this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Conference adjourned with singing the Doxology and with the Benediction by T. E. Carson, to meet at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SIXTH DAY.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, April 11, 1899.

Conference met according to appointment.

Bishop Wilson in the chair.

Religious services were conducted by R. R. S. Hough. The Journal of this morning was read and approved.

Question Nineteen of the General Miautes was called, viz: What Preachers have died during the past year?

The Report of the Committee on Memoirs was presented and read by S. K. Cox.

The memoir of J. W. Tongue was read by S. K. Cox. J. S. Gardner, J. P. Stump, J. L. Shipley, A. M. Cackley, B. W. Bond spoke of their association with Brother Tongue, and of his ability and abundant labors.

On motion, the Memoir of John W. Tongue was adopted.

The Memoir of George H. Zimmerman was read by W. S. Hammond. G. T. Tyler, Isaac W. Canter, J. L. Shipley, F. T. Griffith B. F. Ball bore testimony to the Christian character, faithful life-work and peaceful death of ouf brother, George H. Zimmerman.

On motion, the Memoir of George H. Zimmerman was adopted.

The Memoir of Alfred O. Armstrong was read by L. L. Lloyd. P. H. Whisner, J. S. Hutchinson, W. H. H. Joyce, Evan A. Edwards gave expression to their high estimate of the mental ability, the quality of his work and the spiritual power of our brother, Alfred O. Armstrong.

On motion, the Memoir of Alfred O. Armstrong was adopted.

On motion, the Report of the Committee on Memoirs as a whole was adopted.

The Committee on Conference Relations presented Report No. 3, as follows:

The Committee on Conference Relations beg leave to report on the following names:

For a Superannuated Relation—John T. Wightman, James S. Gardner. G. T. Tyler, Secretary.

J. H. Dulany, Chairman.

Question Eighteen—Who are Superannuated?

The vote was taken on the cases reported by the Committee on Conference Relations, and a Superannuated relation was severally granted them.

Conference determined that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet this evening at 7.30 o'clock.

A communication from Rev. Francis M. Mills was read by Rumsey Smithson, and on motion the Secretary was requested to make suitable reply after the Session of the Conference.

Conference, on motion adjourned with singing the Doxology and with the Benediction by J. S. Hutchinson, to meet this evening at 7.30 o'clock.

SIXTH DAY.

TUESDAY EVENING, April 11, 1899.

Conference met pursuant to adjournment.

Bishop Granbery in the chair.

Religious services were conducted by J. H. DuLany.

The Journal of this afternoon was read and approved.

Question Three—Who are discontinued?

None.

Question Five—Who are readmitted?

None.

Question Sixteen—Who are located?

None.

Question Forty-four—What are the Educational Statistics? (See General Minutes.)

The Report from the Sunday School Board was presented and read, and on motion it was adopted. (See Appendix.)

Report No. 2 of the Joint Board of Finance was presented and read, as follows:

REPORT No. 2.

RESOLUTION OF JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

Resolved, That we note with regret at least one instance of a prominent charge in our Conference where nothing whatever is reported as having been raised for our Superannuated Fund, or for education. We urge upon our preachers the importance of looking faithfully after these collections, feeling sure there can be no excuse for bringing up nothing for these sacred claims.

The following Resolution was presented and read, and on motion it was adopted:

On motion-

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to convey the sincere sympathy of the Conference to C. C. Edington, formerly a member of this body, but now of the New Mexico Conference, who is seriously ill at his home, near Roanoke, Virginia.

J. S. Engle,

W. B. DORSEY, W. H. D. HARPER, J. H. BOYD.

On motion-

Resolved, That we hereby express to the pastor and official body of McKendrie M. E. Church our sincere appreciation of the courtesy shown the Conference in the use of their church, which has contributed no little to our comfort and convenience and has greatly facilitated the work of the Conference. Also to the pastor and members of Mt. Vernon Place M. E. Church, South, and those pastors and churches uniting with them for the admirable arrangements made for the ample accommodation of the members of the Conference at its present session.

J. P. Hyde,

S. G. FERGUSON, RUMSEY SMITHSON, W. H. D. HARPER.

WHEREAS, Rev. J. P. Hyde has so faithfully and obligingly discharged the duties of the office of Conference transportation agent—

Resolved, 1st. That we return him a hearty vote of thanks; and, 2d, That he be continued in the same position.

W. G. Hammond, L. Hammond.

On motion-

Resolved, That we hereby extend our thanks to the Reporters of the Baltimore Sun, Baltimore Herald, Baltimore American and Washington Star, Post and Times, for their full and accurate reports of the proceedings of the Conference.

J. P. Hyde,

RUMSEY SMITHSON, FRAZIER FURR. Dr. W. W. Smith, Chancellor of the Randolph-Macon System of Colleges and Academies, addressed the Conference on the subject of the Twentieth Century Thank Offering.

On motion, a collection was taken up for stationery amounting to \$26.24 Another collection, for the sexton, was lifted, amounting to \$27.73.

Bishop Granbery appointed the following Committee, to take into consideration the advisability of entering upon the enterprise of organizing and establishing an orphanage, as proposed in the report of the Epworth League Board: J. W. Duffey, J. A. Anderson, F. A. Stier.

Nominations by the Presiding Elders for Conference Boards, Missions, Education, Sunday School, Church Extension and Epworth League were presented, and on motion they were confirmed.

The names of members of the Joint Board of Finance were announced. (See page 15.)

Upon nomination by the Presiding Elders the Committees of Examination for the next four years were confirmed. (See page 16.)

The nomination of the Committee on Memoirs was presented and on motion they were confirmed. (See page 16.)

Conference united in singing hymn 566—
"Am I soldier of the Cross."

Prayer was offered by W. H. D. Harper.

The Bishop in brief but appropriate remarks addressed the Conference.

Question Forty-six of the General Minutes was called, viz.: Where are the preachers stationed this year?

Bishop Granbery announced the appointments. (See Appointments, page 8.)

The Doxology was sung, the Bishop pronounced the Benediction, and Conference adjourned to meet in Washington, D. C. 1900.

REPORT

-OF THE-

SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The following charges have received help from the Board during the year just now closed:

Caernarvon, Wilkins Avenue, Brunswick, Forrest Grove, North Baltimore, Charles, East Harford, Easton, Caroline, Church Hill, Hillsboro, West River, Trappe, St. Mary's, West Washington, Alexandria Mission, Occoquan, Sudley, Manassas, Warrenton, Fanquier, Morrisville, Stafford, White Post, Warren, Page, Jefferson Mission, Frederick, Bell's Valley, New Market, Mt. Jackson, East Rockingham, Marksville, West Augusta, Rockbridge Baths, Augusta, Grace, Roanoke Circuit, Bethany, Buena Vista, Belmont, Collierstown, Elliston, Catawba, Glen Wilton, Eagle Rock, Allegaany, Millboro, Gillets, Hot Springs, Alvon, Talcott, Green Sulphur, Green Bank, Frankford, Petersburg, Franklin, Crab Bottom, Cumberland, Elk Garden, Morgan, Gainsboro, Wardensville and Listonburg.

The statistics from these charges are as follows:

Number of members, 14,917; increase, 372; decrease, 454; Sunday schools, 219; officers and teachers, 1,770; scholars; 12,407; number of churches, 194; value of churches, \$242,374; for support of ministry, \$23,005; for Foreign Missions, \$1,517, for Domestic Missions, \$1,005.

The following paper, adopted by the Board, was authorized by it to be inserted in this report:

"The communication to this Board from the Secretaries of the Parent Board of Missions deserves our most earnest attention, both because of the great cause represented in it and the several suggestions made to the Conference Board, asking from it certain recommendations to the Annual Conference. We would call the attention of the members of the Conference to the Fifty-Second Annual Report of the Board of Missions, and advise that each one furnish himself with a copy of the same, as containing information most valuable and stimulating regarding the work of the Board in the Foreign and in the Home field. This pamphlet can be had for six cents, the cost for postage. We would also bring to the notice of the members of the Conference Articles XVI, XVII and XVIII of the Constitution of the Parent Board. Article XVI reads as follows: 'The treasurer of the Conference Board shall transmit to the treasurer of the General Board, on the first day of each month, all monies he may have on hand for Foreign Missions.' Article XVII reads: 'It shall be the duty of the Presiding Elder to preach on the subject of Missions annually in each charge in the District; see that efficient and well-defined plans be adopted for raising missionary funds; conduct with his preachers a missionary institute early in the Conference year, and see that they hold the mass-meeting.' Article XVIII reads: 'It shall be the duty of the preacher in charge to hold missionary mass-meetings annually in every church in his work; to circulate missionary literature and te seek in every way the education and inspiration of his people concerning the salvation of the heathen.'

"We moreover urge upon the members of the Conference the importance of subscribing themselves and of seeing that their people subscribe for the

Review of Missions, a periodical specially devoted to the cause of Missions of the highest literary character, and most helpful in informing our people concerning the extension of Christ's kingdom and the needs of the Mission field.

"The requirements of the law of the church that every Sunday School be organized into a missionary society, should be rigidly observed, as furnishing a most excellent opportunity for training our young people in benevolent giving; and also for their instruction concerning the missionary work of the Church.

"We believe that our people, when properly informed concerning the needs of the mission field and of the wonderful results accomplished already, and grand possibilities for good, yet unused and inviting action, will respond liberally to carry on the Foreign Mission Work, and no such thing as embarassment or debt will be known."

The aggregate contributed for Foreign Missions is \$10,331.18.

The aggregate contributed for Domestic Missions is \$6,633.10.

J. L. SHIPLEY, Secretary.

REPORT

OF THE

TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

Assessments and Payments, with Percentage of Payments for 1898 and 1899.

Districts.	Foreig	N .	Mission	8.	ıtaye.	Domestic Missions.				ntage.
Districts.	Assesse	d. Paid.		Percenta	Assessed.		Paid.		Percentage	
Baltimore	\$2,294	00	\$1,738	00	75.7	\$1,625	00	\$1,174	26	72.2
East Baltimore	1,714		1,035			1,214		652		
Washington			1,995					1,333		
Winchester	1,727		1,424							77.7
Rockingham	,	- 1	1,145							64.1
Roanoke	1,871	00	1,229	53	65.7	1,325	00	785	00	59.2
Lewisburg	1,514	00	864	00	57.	1.073	00	496	59	16.2
Moorefield	1,389	00	893	35	64.3	984	00	589	00	59.8
Total	\$14,500	00	\$10,324	68	71.2	\$10,270	00	\$6.633	10	64.5

Assessments for 1899 and 1900.

DISTRICTS.	Missions.				
	Foreign.	Domestic.			
Baltimore East Baltimore Washington Winchester. Rockingham Roanoke Lewisburg Moorefield	\$2,225 00 1,650 00 2,426 00 1,900 00 1,584 00 1,886 00 1,385 00 1,444 00 \$14,500 00	\$1,695 00 1,257 00 1,850 00 1,448 00 1,207 00 1,437 00 1,056 00 1,100 00			

COMPARATIVE RECEIPTS.

		FOREIGN M	ISSIONS.	
DISTRICTS.	1897–'98.	1898–'99.	Increase.	Decrease.
Baltimore East Baltimore Washington Winchester Rockingham Roanoke Lewisburg Moorefield Total	\$1,864 00 1,117 00 2,059 00 1,421 00 1,145 00 1,285 56 842 00 823 00	\$1,738 00 1,038 00 1,935 00 1,424 00 1,145 30 1,229 53 864 00 893 36	\$ 3 00 30 22 00 70 35 \$95 65	\$126 00 82 00 64 00 56 03 \$328 03 95 65 \$232 38
net decrease		Domestic M	Iissions.	φ204 00
Baltimore., East Baltimore Washington. Winchester Rockingham. Roanoke Lewisburg. Moorefield.	\$1,209 00 721 00 1,345 00 876 00 715 00 794 50 520 00 533 00	\$1,174 26 652 00 1,333 00 878 00 725 25 785 00 496 59 589 00	\$ 2 00 10 25 56 00	\$34 74 69 00 12 00 9 50 23 41
Total			\$68 25	\$148 65 68 25
Net Increase				\$80 40

Appointments.	Foreig	n Mis.	Domes	TIC MIS.	oman's Mis. So Paid	oman's Mis. So. Paid
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Woman For. Mis.	Wor H. M
BALTIMORE DISTRICT.						
Central and Caernarvon	\$210	\$210	\$149	\$149 00		
St. Paul's and Wilkens' Ave.	292	292	207	207 00		
Emmanuel	190	190	135	135 00		
Frederick Avenue	57 146	$\begin{array}{c} 8 \\ 146 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 40 \\ 103 \end{array}$	$\frac{4}{103} \frac{00}{00}$	(• • • • •
Reisterstown	79	70	57	40 00	•	
Freedom	146	. 105	103	57 00		\$5
Linganore	140	64	99	58 00		
Frederick City	41	41	29	29 00		
Brunswick	15	15	10	10 00		1
Rockville	197	104	140	84 26		
Gaithersburg	121	85	85	40 00		
MontgomeryBeltsville	146 50	95 50	103 36	45 00 36 00	1	
Hyattsville	100	25	. 72	35 00		25
Emory	66	43	47	21 00	1	
Wesley Grove	121	84	85	46 00		
Laurel	44	10	31	5 00		
Patuxent	83	83	58	58 00		
Forrest Grove	50	18	36	12 00		
	\$2,294	\$1,738	\$1,625	\$1,174 26	\$200	\$30
East Baltimore District.						
Trinity	\$295	295	\$207	\$207 00	\$249	\$98
Calvary	122	122	84	84 00		
North Baltimore	57	42	40	22 00		
Taylor's	74	74	51	51 00		
West Harford East Harford	44	44	30	30 00		
Kent	80 80	30 35	57 57	10 00 $33 00$	1	6
Queen Anne's	89	89	64	18 00		U
Church Hill	86	25	61	18 00		
Hillsboro'	60	12	44			
Easton and Caroline	93	22	69	15 00		
Trappe	74	16	53	9 00		
Royal Oak	60	22	42	15 00		
Severn	75 86	20 65	53 61	10 00 31 00		68
West River	43	15	31	12 00		
Calvert	118	63	82	42 00		_
Prince George's	80	22	57			1
Charles	60	15	41	10 00		
St. Mary's	38	7	30	8 00		
	\$1,714	\$1,035	\$1,214	\$652 00	\$261	\$283

The amount paid by the Women's Societies is reported though the funds do not pass through hands of Conference Treasurer.

J. E. A.

APPOINTMENTS.		FOREIGN MIS.					EST	ic N	oman's Mis. So Paid.	oman's Mis. So. Paid.	
		Ass'd.		Paid.		Ass	3'd.	Paid.		For. N	H. Wol
WASHINGTON DISTRICT.											
It. Vernon and Mission	\$	306	\$	306		\$	217	\$	217		\$200
pworth and Mission		93			00		66		66		• • • •
larvin		122			00		86		86		
lexandria and Mission		262 146		262 146	00		186 103		$\begin{array}{c} 186 \\ 103 \end{array}$		23
alls Church		117		117	00		82		82		4
eesburg.		102		102	00		72		72	1	-
oudoun		160		160	00		114		114		
amilton		87		87	00		62		30		
illsboro		102		45	90		72		10		
iddleburg		95		40	00		67		20		
terling		109			00		78		52	18	4
airfax		95		95	00		67		67		IC
[arshall		117		136			82		85		
Varrenton		73		-			52		35	1	
ccoquan		87			00		62		34	1	• • • • •
udley.		73		_	00	1	52		20		
Ianassas.		59		7-	00		41		17		
auquier		73			00		52		25		
tafford		66		8	00		47			1	
forrisville		51		10	00		36		10		• • • •
W	\$2	,395	\$	1,995	00	\$1	,696	\$1	,338	\$830	\$61
WINCHESTER DISTRICT.											
Winchester	\$	154	\$	115	00	\$	109	8	7	0	
rederick		64			00		45		4		
tephen City		96			00	1	68		3		
Iddletown		90		100		1	64		6		\$
trasburg		77			00		55		4		
Toodstock		115		115			82		89		
dinburg Bizzatan		65			50		45		20		
ront Royal and Riverton		103		103			73		7	- 1	
Varreninden		58 55			00		41			8 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
age		55			00		39			5	
White Post		58		_	00		41			1	
erryville		90			00		64		4		1
Brucetown		77			00	1	54	1	3	-	
Darksville		77			00		54	1	3	-	
Sartinsburg		128		128			91		9	1	
Berkeley		77			00		54		3	7	
Charles Town		115		115	00)	82	,	8	2 110	
efferson and Mission		77			00		54			4 80	
Shepherdstown		96		96	00)	68		4	0 50)
	\$1	1,727	\$	1,424	50	\$	1,223		\$87	8 \$559	\$1

	FOREI	GN MISS.	٠.	Domesti	c Mis.	oman's Mis. So. Paid.	Voman's Miss. So.
APPOINTMENTS.	Ass'd.	Paid.		Ass'd.	Paid.	Wom For. M	Wom H. Mis
ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.							
Staunton	\$198	\$198	00	\$141	W	0 \$67	\$3
E. End and Plunkettsv'lle.	40	0 -	00	28	19 2	1	
Harrisonburg	159		00	113	113 0		
Bridgewater	120	0 -	00	85	58 0 47 0		
It. Crawford	66	66 44	00	47		0	1
arnassus	67 40	5	-	47		0	
Vest Augusta	34		00	25	12 0	1	
ugusta.	91		00	65	35 0		
Vaynesboro	93		00	66	10 0	-	
ew Hope	60		00	43	19 0	1	
ockingham	61		00	43	12 0		
. Rockingham	66	50	1	47		0	
lkton.	72		00	52		0 25	
ort Republic	60	60 66	1	42 47		0	
henandoahuray	66 66	66		47		-1	7
ew Market.	50	22		35		0	
t. Jackson	40		00	28		0	
arksville	40	40	-	28	28 0	0	
airfield	67	26		47		0	
cockbridge Baths	40	3	00	26	2 0	0	
ROANOKE DISTRICT.	\$1,596	\$1,145	30	\$1,130	\$725 2	5 139	2
alem	\$136	\$136	00	\$96	\$96 0	0	
reene Memorial	206	206		146	146		1
rinity	109	109	00	77	77 (0 \$4	5
t. James	109			77		. 25)
race	101	101		72	72		
oanoke Circuit	51	15		36	11 (
inton	8:	50		58		00 1	6
ethanyelmont	£ 114	25		80	12 (- 1	
elmontuchanan	82	35 30	00	58	25 5 10 (00	
incastle.	97		00	59	23 (• • • • •
len Wilton)		00	60	23 (
agle Rock	82		00		12 (
uena Vista	1 200		53	96		00	
ockbridge	} 136		00		13 (00	
exington	122		00	86	86 (5
ollierstown	54		00	38	4 (
Clliston	52	30	00	37		00	
hristiansburg	82			58	29		
lacksburg	75 82	75 25	00	53		00	
Tew Castle	62	40	00	0.0		1	2
atawba		17			12		
	\$1,871	\$1,229	53	\$1,325	\$785	00 \$32	8 4

	FOREIG	N Mis.		Domes	STIC MIS		nan's lis. So id.	Oman's Mis. So.
APPOINTMENTS.	Ass'd.	Paid.		Ass'd.	· Paid.		Woman's For. Mis. So. Paid.	Woma H. Mis.
LEWISBURG DISTRICT.								
ewisburg	\$113	\$113 0	0	\$81	\$30	00	\$12	
rankford	119	53 0	0	85	35	00		
Blue Sulphur	59	20 0	0	42	15	00		
reen Sulphur	27	14 0		19	10	00		
Inton	119	65 0	0	85	40	00	33	
alcott	54	2 0	0	38	2	00		
lderson	92	36 0	0	65		00	20	
reenville and Peterstown.	86	23 0		61		00	~0	
nion	92	30 0		65		00		
Conceverte, White Sulphur	103	103 0		73		00	12	\$1
	33	15 0		23		00	12	Ф1
lloghany	54	11 0		38		00		
lleghany		100 0				-	-0	
ovington	119		-	85		00	0.	(
lifton Forge	113	100 0	- 1	81	27			
Iillboro	33	16 0		23		()0		
evelton	108	85 0		76		59		
Iuntersville	54	21 0		48	15	-		
Freen Bank	65	15 0		45	_	00		,
Hilletts	33	16 0		23		00		
Hot Springs	38	26 0	00	27	19	00		
	\$1,514	\$864 0	00	\$1,073	\$496	59	\$183	\$7
Moorefield District.								
Moorefield	\$96	\$64 (00	\$66	\$32	00		
Petersburg	47		00	32				
Franklin	70		00	50				
Crab Bottom	60		00	46	1			
Keyser	100		00	80		00		
Cumberland	3		00	2				
Elk Garden	50		00	40				
	83		00	60		_	1	
Piedmont	60		00	37				
Frostburg	0 -			-				·
Flintstone	65	23 3		45				
Romuey	105	105		80		00		
Springfield	95	50 (68				5,
Slanesville			00	48				
Hardy		53	00	35) 1	l¦
Morgan	50	5	00	32)	
Gainsboro	62	20	00	45	15	00)	
Wardensville		21		35				
Capon Bridge			00	55		00	8	1
Listonburg	50		00	30)
Monterey		_	00	58	1			
McDowell		50	- 1	58		00		0
	\$1,389	\$893	-	\$984	4 \$589	-	318	

DISBURSEMENTS FOR DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

DISTRICTS.	Allowed.	Paid.	
Baltimore District.			
Caernarvon, W. H. Best.	4200	\$192	00
Wilkens Avenue, Wm Stevens	\$300 400	256	
Brunswick, S. M. Bowman	400	256	00
Forest Grove, Frazier Furr	200	128	00
	\$1,300	\$832	00
EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.			
North Baltimore, H. M. Canter	\$200	\$74	66
" H. T. Heironimus		53	
East Harford, J. F. Baggs	150	96	
Church Hill, S. V. Hildebrand	150		00
Hillsboro, H. M. Roane	150		00
Caroline, Isaac W. Canter	250 100	160	00
Trappe George R. Mays	150		00
West River, C. M. Mark	150	- 0	00
Charles, J. B. Henry	200	128	
St. Mary's, C. W. Moore	75		00
Washington District.	\$1,575	\$1,008	00
West Washington, J. W. Beall	\$250	\$160	
Epworth Mission, J. O. Knott	200	128	
Alexandria and Mission, J. H. Wells	50		00
Warrenton, J. S. Gardner Occoquan, J. W. Grubb.	100		00
Sudley, C. B. Sutton	150 100		00
Manassas, D. L. Blakemore	150	96	
Fauguier, J. C. Sedwick	100		00
Stafford, A. R. Martin	250	160	
Morrisville, W. T. Gover	150		00
	\$1,500	\$960	00
WINCHESTER DISTRICT.			
Frederick, L. Fox	\$300	\$192	00
Warren J. S. Porter	250	160	
Page, T. J. Miller	125	80	00
White Post, F. A. Gains	50		00
Jefferson Mission, J. W. Kight	100	64	00

DISBURSEMENTS FOR DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

DISTRICTS.	Allowed.	Paid.	
ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.			
Pallla Walley A. I. Haynahargan	\$100	\$ 64	Of
Bell's Valley, A. L. Harnsberger		192	
West Augusta, John W. Canter	50	32	
Augusta, B. V. Switzer		32	
East Rockingham, L. Butt	200	128	
## Joskson T Driley		160	
It. Jackson, T. Briley	250	160	
Rockbrdge Baths, A. C. McNeer	250	160	
tockorage Daths, A. C. McNeel	200	100	-
ROANOKE DISTRICT.	\$1,450	\$928	00
Grace, C. D. Bulla	\$100		
James W. Greene	150	1 19	_
Coanoke Circuit, W. W. Watts	150	96	-
Bethany, W. O. Ross	150	96	
Belmont, H. Q. Bnrr	. 100	64	-
Hen Wilton, W. G. Hammond	100'	64	-
Eagle Rock, J. L. Grant A. Q. Flaherty. Buena Vista W. H. H. Joyce. H. P. Hamill.	100	36	-
W. H. H. Loves	100		-
Buena Vista W. H. H. Joyce	. 100	53	
Jollianstown A. D. Poudo	200	128	
Collierstown, A. P. Boude	100	64	-
Elliston, H. L. Myerly		99	
Lewisburg District.	\$1,250	\$800	0
Frankford, R. H. Wilson	\$125	\$80	0
Freen Sulphur G. H. Echols	. 175	112	
Green Sulphur, G. H. Echols	. 150	96	
Alvon, A. C. Hamill	225	144	
Alvon, A. C. Hamill	. 125	80	0
Millboro, H. D. Bishop	. 250	160	(
Green Bank, J. M. Eavey		32	(
Hilletts, M. P. Weikle	. 200	128	(
Hot Springs, H. Lawson	125	80	(
Moorefield District.	\$1,425	\$912	(
Petersburg, C. M. Sarver	\$100	\$64	(
Franklin, J. H. Schooley	. 50	32	
Crab Bottom, J. W. McNeil	. 100		
Cumberland, J. H. Kuhlman	200		
Elk Garden, W. W. Newberry	100		
Morgan, C. E. Simmons	. 200		
Gainsboro, N. N. Hall	. 100		
Wardensville, C. L. Potter			
Listonburg, J. R. Jacobs	100	64	(
	\$1,100	\$704	(
Total Disbursements	@10.495	46 679	-

DR. RECAPITULATION AND BALANCE FOR APRIL 11, 1899. CR.

To balance from	n 189	98\$	375	58	By Amount to-			
To Amount from	n As	88688-			Baltimore District (D	om)	\$ 832	00
ments					East Balto. "	4.6	1,008	00
Baltimore Di	stric	t	[2,912	26	Washington "	66	960	00
	66		1,687	00	Winchester "	6.6	528	00
Washington	6.6		3,328	00	Rockingham "	66	928	00
Winchester	6.6		2,302	50	Roanoke "	4.6	800	00
Rockingham	66		1,870	55	Lewisburg "	4.6	912	00
Roanoke	6.6		2,014	53	Moorefield "	6,6	704	00
Lewisburg	6.6				Parent Board (foreig	n)	10,324	68
Moorefield	66		1,482	35	By balance April 11, 1		336	
Total		\$	17,333	36	Total		\$ 17,333	36

SPECIAL NOTES.

Washington District—		
Mt. Vernon supports a missionary and sent to Parent Board \$	120	00
Loudoun—to Parent Board	25	00
Winchester District—		
Berkeley - for Cuba mission, sent direct	5	00
Rockingham District—		
Staunton-for Cuba mission, Parent Board	40	00
Staunton—for Clopton school, Parent Board	40	00
Roanoke District—		
Grace—for Coyler fund, Korea	2	50
Belmont—for Coyler fund, Korea	3	50
Christiansburg—for Coyler fund, Korea	2	00
Moorefield District—		
Cumberland—for Monterey, Mexico	1	70
Total	\$239	70
The items under Special Notes were not received by the Co.	nfere	ace
Treasurer, but reported as having been sent direct by the charges		
Amount received by Conference Treasurer \$1	6,996	68
Amount reported as sent direct		
Total for Missions during the year (so far as reported) \$	7,236	38

CHARGES WHICH HAVE OVERPAID FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC —OVERPAID ONE ASSESSMENT AND PAID THE OTHER IN FULL—PAID FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC IN FULL—PAID ONE ASSESSMENT IN FULL.

Overpaid Foreign and Domestic.

Washington District—Marshall.
Moorefield District—Cumberland.

Overpaid one Assessment and paid the other in full.

Winchester District—Middletown (Foreign)—Port Republic (Foreign.)

Paid both Assessments in full.

Baltimore District—Central, St. Paul's, Emanual, Arlington, Frederick, Brunswick, Beltsville, Patuxent. (8.)

East Baltimore District—Trinity, Calvary, Taylor's, West Harford.

Washington District—Mt. Vernon, Epworth, Marion, Alexandria, Va., Fredericksburg, Falls Church, Leesburg, Loudoun, Fairfax. (9.)

Winchester District—Frederick, Woodstock, Front Royal, Martinsburg, Charles Town.

Rockingham District—Staunton, Harrisonburg, Mt. Crawford, Luray, Marksville.

Roanoke District—Salem, Greene Memorial, Trinity, Grace, Lexington. Lewisburg District—Ronceverte, White Sulphur. Moorefield District—Piedmont, Romney, Monterey.

Paid one Assessment in full.

East Baltimore District—Queen Anne's (Foreign.)
Washington District—Hamilton, (Foreign.)
Winchester District—White Post, Darkesville, Shepherdstown, (Foreign.)
Rockingham District—Shenandoah, (Foreign.)
Roanoke District—Blacksburg, (Foreign.)

DOMESTIC MISSIONARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1899 AND 1900.

Baltimore District.	Rockingham District.
Caernarvon \$350	East End and Marquies
Wilken's Avenue 400	Memorial \$150
Brunswick 400	Bell's Valley 100
Brightwood. 200	New Market 200
	35
	\$1,350 Mt. Jackson 250 Marksville 150
	Shenandoah 100
	West Augusta 300
East Baltimore District.	Rookbridge Baths 250
	\$1,500
North Baltimore \$400	
Charles 200 East Harford 100	Roanoke District.
Easton	Grace (contingent) \$100
Caroline 50	Belmont (contingent) 100
Hillsboro 125	Roanoke Circuit 100
	Bethany 150
West River 150	Buena Vista 250
Trappe 150	Collierstown 200
Kent	
Church Hill 125	480
Forrest Grove 200	
Royal Oak 100	100
	\$1,875 Eagle Rock
	41,000
Washington District.	Lewisburg District.
	Green Sulphur \$200
Epworth Mission \$200	1 000
West Washington and	White Sulphur (contin-
Del Ray 300	
Fairfax, for assistant 100	
Fauquier 100	
Sudley 100	1
Manassas 100	
Stafford 200	~ .
Morrisville 200	1_0
	\$1,300
	Moorefield District.
TIT: .7 To	
Winchester District.	Petersburg \$100 Crab Bottom 100
White Post (contingent) \$150	
Warren 250	
Page 200	
Woodstock Mission 125	
Shenandoah Junction. 150	
Frederick 200	0
	Slanesville (contingent) 100
Grand Tota	\$1\$11,050.

The foregoing appropriations are subject to revision by the Conference Board of Missions at the first meeting of the Board after Conference assembles in 1900.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. ALEXANDER, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY, BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

To the Bishop and Members of the Baltimore Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, South.

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN:

We desire to bring before you very briefly the work of our society for the past year. Our adult membership is 1,886; juvenile, 925; subscribers to "Woman's Advocate," 433; to "Little Worker," 207. We have about 100 in membership, while six new auxiliaries have been organized.

Our 20th Annual Meeting was held in Trinity Church, Baltimore, the early home of our society. The annual sermon was preached by the pastor, Rev. C. M. Hawkins, and we had with us Dr. and Mrs. A. P. Parker and our Secretary, Mrs. S. C. Trueheart, whose presence added greatly to the interest of the meeting. Since then God has called to her reward one, who from the beginning of the work has labored faithfully in the Master's cause—our honored friend and sister, Miss Melissa Baker. May He raise up many more with such a spirit of zeal and faithfulness.

We are glad to state that the spirit which not only sends, but goes, is still in our midst, and this year Miss Arrena Carroll, from our Conference, has been accepted by the Woman's Board and will be appointed to the foreign field.

The work has not increased this year as we hoped it would, and once more we earnestly ask the help of our brethren, the pastors and presiding elders to strengthen the weak auxiliaries and organize where there are none.

We come with the heartfelt desire to do you good and not evil; to help and not hinder, in every department of church work. Our prayers and our labors are with you in your efforts to extend the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ.

LEILA P. BEEHLER, Conf. Cor. Sec.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY, BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

From March 1898 to March 1899.

Received for General Fund from Adult Societies	\$2,198	93
General Fund from Juvenile Societes		
Korea		71
Thank offerings		
Day Sahaolin China	100	0.0
Day School in China	100	-
· Scholarships	47	00
Mite Boxes	31	51
Cradle Roll		50
Melissa Baker Chapel		40
Cuban Work	1	
	1	00
Library		30
	\$2,839	43
Remitted to Mrs. McTyeire, Treasurer\$2,803 63		
Miss Barnes, Editor of "Little Worker"2 50		
Mrs. Candler		
On hand		
	\$2,839	43
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REPORT OF JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE

FOR YEARS 1898-99.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

1899.			
April 11. To balance on hand last year	9	10	23
" Bishop's Collection		1,974	
"Superannuated Collection		9,036	00
" Educational Collection		1,487	00
" Paine and Lane Collection		308	00
" Bible Collection		377	00
" Reported paid last year to H. W. Kinzer in error,	,		
he not having been paid		200	00
" Profits of Publishing House		770	00
From Corporate Board of Finance		1,200	00
	\$	15,362	23
Disbursements.		-0,000	

1899.					
April 11.	Paid	Bishops	\$ 1,974	00	
•	66	Conference Board of Education	1,487	00	
	66	Paine and Lane Institute	308	00	
		Bible Societies			
	66	Superannuated	11,175	00	
	66	Committee on Publishing Minutes	7	00	
		By balance on hand	34	23	
				\$ 15 369	23

Estimates for 1899 and 1900.

DISTRICTS	Bisho	p.	Sup'd	•	·Educat	'1.	Pain La	e a	
Baltimore	\$438	00	\$1,969	00	\$345	00	. \$	78	00
East Baltimore	388	00	1,740	00	305	00		60	00
Washington	482	00	2,165	00	380	00		80	00
Winchester	383	00	1,720	00	300	00	,	65	00
Rockingham	333	00	1,507	00	262	00	1	55	00
Roanoke	389	00	1,752	00	306	00	1	65	00
Lewisburg		00	1,335	00	233	60	ĺ	50	00
Moor efield	291	00	1,312	00	229	00	1	47	00
	\$3,000	00	\$13,500	00	\$2,360	00	\$5	00	00

Payment per Member.

Baltimore Disirict	cents.
East Baltimore District	
Washington District	66
Winchester District23	6.6
Rockingham District22	66
Roanoke District	66
Lewisburg District14	66
Moorefield District19	66

Comparative Receipts for 1898 and 1899.

	1898.	1899.	Iucrease.	Decrease.
Bishop's Fund	9,124 00 1,470 00 315 00	9,036 00 1,487 00 308 00	\$1 00 17 00	7 00

Paid Claimants on Superannuated Fund.

F. Liggett. P. Etchison. M. J. Perry. C. G. Coe. C. Pitzer. EO. G. Brooke. EO. B. Allen. H. March. G. Vandiver. B. Blue	200 100 150 100 175 100 175 225	00 00 00	Am't. brought forward\$4 Mrs. J. M. Grandin "F. M. Totten Jno. W. Tongue, Ex'r Aaron Boon Nelson Head Wesley Hammond F. M. Mills Robt. Smith	200 50 175 200 200 250	00 00 00 00 00 00
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. B. Blue		~~	Wm. Hedges	250	00
	200	00	C. G. Linthicum	275	00
hos Hildebrand	175	00	F. A. Mercer	225	00
no. Landstreet	175	00		550	00
. R. Greene	250	00	J. M. Follansbee	225	00
				450	00
		00	W. G. Eggleston	450	00
			S. Townsend	300	00
				250	00
			P. S. E. Sixeas	300	00
				500	00
					-
			C. B. LeFew		
			J. J. Crickenberger.		
			J. S. Porter		-
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CLAIMANTS FOR 1899 AND 1900.

CLAIMANTS.	P. O. Address.	DISTRICT.
" M. G. Balthis	. Petersburg, Va	Virginia Conference. Baltimore.
" G. G. Brooke	Staunton, Va Lewisburg, W. Va Baltimore, Md	Lewisburg. Baltimore.
" J. P. Etchison " J. M. Grandin	.Summit Point, W. Va Baltimore, Md Washington, D. C	Baltimore. Washington.
" S. W. Haddaway " T. Hildebrand	Rockville, Md	Washington. Moorefield.
" H. Hoffman" " J. Landstreet " J. F. Liggett	. Keyser, W. Va	. Moorefield. Moorefield. Rockingham.
" J. H. March Miss Mary Martin	. Woodstock, Va	Winchester. Winchester. Rockingham.
" W. J. Perry " H. C. Pitzer	.Harrisonburg, Va	Rockingham. Roanoke.
" S. Register	.Contees, Md	Baltimore. Rockingham.
" F. M. Totten John Trone	Enfield, N. C	Halifax County Moorefield.
" E. G. Vandiver " W. A. Wade T. W. Brown	. Ashland, Va . Washington, D. C	Virginia Conference. Washington.
Aaron Boon	.Luray, Va Baltimore, Md .Lewisburg, W. Va	Rockingham.
C. L. Damaron W. G. Eggleston	Baltimore, Md Middletown, Va Glade Spring, Va	Baltimore. Winchester.
H. A. Gaver	Stephen's City, Va	Winchester.
Wm. Hedges	Martinsburg, W. Va Gambrills, Md	WinchesterBaltimore.
Jno. T. Maxwell F. M. Mills	. Washington, D. C	Rockingham.
J. S. Porter	Baltimore, Md	Winchester. Roanoke.
J. O. Tackett S. Townsend	. Manassas, Va	Washington. East Baltimore.
J. H. Waugh	Harrisonburg, Va .Port Republic, Va Baltimore,	Rockingham. Rockingham.
J. H. Wolff G. H. Zimmerman	Charlestown, W. Va	Winchester.

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REPORTS.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

REPORT No. 1.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 6, 1899.

To the Baltimore Conference, M. E. Church, South:

The Board of Education has had under consideration the matter of the Twentieth Century Thanksgiving Offering, provided for in the legislation of our last General Conference, for the benefit of Christian education. At the closing of this, the best century in the world's history, glorious in the accomplishment of more for the promotion of the material, moral and spiritual welfare of all the people than any of the centuries that have gone before, but yet more glorious in the promise of greater things to come in the century which is about to dawn, if we are but true to the mission which God has committed to us, we believe that the time is most propitious for inviting the consecrated men and women of the great army of Southern Methodism to lay upon the altar of the Lord liberal expressions of their gratitude for the marvelous things that He hath wrought during the nineteenth century.

That the General Conference has provided that the fund of \$1,500,000, which they recommend to be raised, shall be devoted to the cause of education, should be the strongest of arguments to thinking people why they should heartily support the movement with voice and purse.

It must be apparent, without argument, that if we are to be ready for the great problems which the twentieth century will surely bring, if Methodism is to continue to hold its place as the greatest evangelizing force in the world, there must be the thorough equipment and preparation which a broad Christian education alone can bring.

Not from the pulpit alone, but from thinking men all over the land, is coming up the cry that the great bulwark of National security in the century before us must be moral and Christian education. Every branch of Methodism is waking to the great responsibilities that in the providence of God have been laid upon us, and to the fact that no such favorable opportunity may again be presented within a generation. With every land open to the gospel, and crying out for prepared and equipped men and women to come and proclaim it with our brethren, the Wesleyan Methodists of England proposing to raise a fund of 1,000,000 guineas, or almost \$7.00 per member; with the Canadian Methodists ealling for and proposing to raise \$1,000,000 from their 280,000 members, and the Methodist Episcopal Church seriously and with every prospect of success, undertaking to raise the stupendous sum of \$20,000,000, we believe that our own people will surely not falter in the movement to raise the \$1 per capita proposed by the General Conference, and we feel certain that there is no place where the money can be invested with promise of surer and quicker rewards than in the manner in which it is proposed to use it.

We therefore heartily commend the action of the General Conference, and recommend that the Baltimore Annual Conference cheerfully assume the privilege of raising, as a minimum, the \$62,500, designated as our proportion of this fund.

We recommend that the Board of Education of this Conference be instructed to take steps to organize at once, a general canvass of all our charges in harmony with the plan outlined by the General Conference, not otherwise appropriated by the General Board of Education, the proceeds thereof to be placed in the hands of the trustees of the Randolph-Macon system, to be applied by them for the benefit of the institutions of learning most closely identified with this Conference, viz: R. M. Academy at Front Royal, Va., and R. M. College at Ashland, Va.

In order that there may be an active directing force in the intervals between sessions of the Board, consisting of brethren conveniently located, we recommend the appointment of an Executive Committee consisting of Rev. I. W. Canter, Rev. J. W. Duffey and George R. Hill, Esq., to give active supervision to the work, and that Dr. W. W. Smith be appointed superintendent of the canvass to work in connection with and under the direction of the Board and said Executive Committee. The Board, directly or through said Executive Committee, shall have authority to apply the expense fund provided by the General Conference plan to the expenses of the canvass herein ordered, as it may deem best to accomplish the result herein sought.

We bespeak for the Board, in the great responsibility which this undertaking places upon them, the active, hearty and loyal support of all the energies of all the members of the Conference. We believe that every member of our great connection, from the richest to the poorest, should be, and, with few exceptions, can be educated to look upon this undertaking as a great privilege, and as an opportunity to express his thanksgiving to God for the blessings which he has enjoyed, in a way that shall bring permanent good to the world, and not as a task imposed or a burden to be shirked or reluctantly assumed, and to the end that the minds of the members of the Conference may be thoroughly prepared, in the direction just indicated, we recommend that a special session of the Conference be held on some evening, and full opportunity given for the presentation of the enterprise, or if it be deemed inexpedient, that such opportunity be given at the presentation of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

E. D. NEWMAN, President.

REPORT No. 2.

The Randolph-Macon System of Schools.

This system of schools, under the direction of Chancellor W. W. Smith' has maintained the high standard of excellence heretofore attained, and commands, more than ever, the attention and confidence of the public; and is deserving of, and fully repays, the interest manifested in it by the church.

1. Randolph-Macon College.

Randolph-Macon College has become so thoroughly identified with the church and its work that it requires no recommendation from this Board in order that the Conference may take its interests to heart. It is to the Baltimore Conference what West Point is to the Army or the Naval Academy to the Navy.

The Board is glad to be able to report a substantial increase in attendance upon the College for the present year. There are in attendance this session 35 ministerial students, of whom eleven are from the Baltimore Conference.

The College has received a substantial increase in assets during the year in the donation by Mrs. Emma Lee Vaughan, as a memorial of her husband, I. N. Vaughan, deceased, late of Ashland, Va., of the sum of

\$35,000, of which \$25,000 is given as an aid fund for education of deserving young men in need of assistance, and the remaining \$10,000 toward the endowment of a chair of "History" in the College.

2. Randolph-Macon Woman's College.

The Board is gratified at the continual growth of the Woman's College, and the promise of still further advancement in all lines of effective work. This institution has, in the last few days, become the beneficiary, under the will of Miss Melissa Baker, of Baltimore, of a legacy of \$5,000.

The Woman's College has acquired a high reputation throughout the country. It is listed by the United States Commissioner of Education as one of the fourteen Colleges for education of women entitled to rank in "Class A;" and in attendance, equipment and resources it stands eighth in this class of fourteen.

3. Randolph-Macon Academy at Front Royal.

This Academy maintains its reputation for thorough academic work, and the Board can, and does, most heartily recommend it to the Conference, with the assurance that no Methodist within the bounds of the Conference who can afford to send his son off to school at all, can afford to send elsewhere than to the Front Royal Academy. It is not only an integral part of the work of the church, but it also deserves the hearty and earnest support of the church.

4. Other Schools of the System.

The Randolph-Macon Academy at Bedford City, and the Randolph-Macon Institute at Danville are both having a prosperous year, and are doing good and satisfactory work.

Respectfully submitted,

E. D. NEWMAN, President.

REPORT No. 3.

The Board recommends an assessment of \$2,360, of which \$360 is for the benefit of the General Board of Education, and \$2,000 for the benefit of Randolph-Macon College, at Ashland, Va.

The Board also recommends the appointment of Rev. J. A. Kern, D. D., as president of Randolph-Macon College; of Rev. Collins Denny as professor of Vanderbilt University; and of Rev. J. P. Hyde, D. D., LL. D., as president of the Valley Female College.

Payne and Lane Institutes.

It is very gratifying to the Board to note the evidences of progress made by these schools.

The number of former pupils who are occupying positions of usefulness in the Church of God and in the world, gives promise of larger and grander results in the future.

We recommend an assessment of \$500 in aid of these schools.

Respectfully submitted,

E. D. NEWMAN, President.

REPORT No 4.

Valley Female College.

This College is located at Winchester, Va. Rev. J. P. Hyde, D. D., LL. D., is the president.

The report of the visiting committee appointed by the Conference, shows that during the past year it has had increasing success; that the training work of the school is being carefully carried on.

We cheerfully renew our endorsement of this school and commend it to the patronage of our people.

We recommend that the second Sunday in June, or as near thereto as practicable, be fixed as the day on which the sermon on education, as required by the discipline, shall be preached, and that the educational collection shall then be taken, if the pastor shall deem the occasion suitable.

We recommend that Rev. H. P. Hamill be appointed Conference secretary of education. We recommend that G. D. Kidner and George Hasel be appointed as students at Randolph-Macon College, E. L. Woolf to Vandervilt University, and Charles A. Brown, president of Princeton Academy, West Va.

W. P. C. COE, Secretary.

E. D. NEWMAN, President.

REPORT No. 5.

Resolved, That the assessment made upon the Districts for the relief of J. A. Fanver, R. Kinsley, and M. L. Walton be continued as last year, and that each district be urged to collect if possible, the balance of their assessments for this purpose during this Conference year, and report as soon as possible to the Presiding Elder of the Rockingham District.

R. O. SHIPLEY,

J. W. VANDIVER,

R. H. WILSON,

J. W. Duffey,

W. P. C. CoE,

W. O. Ross,

J. A. KERN,

W. H. BALLENGEE,

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

The Sunday School Board respectfully begs leave to submit the following report:

STATISTICS.

The annual report of the Sunday School editor, which was submitted to the Conference, while not showing as large an increase last year as the year before, is yet very gratifying, as the following figures show: Sunday Schools 14,188, increase 191; officers and teachers 104,135, an increase of 857; scholars 851,488, an increase of 12,002, making a total gain of 12,859. The total number in the Sunday Schools of the connection is 955,623.

Our own reports sbow 597 schools, an increase of 4; 5,840 officers and teachers, an increase of 92; 41,644 scholars, a loss of 517; \$10,260 were collected for Sunday Schools, an increase of \$18; \$10,497 collected for Missions, a decrease of \$239; \$597 collected on Children's day, a decrease of \$162. The total collections in the Sunday Schools for the Conference year amounted to \$26,015, a decrease of \$720.

CHILDREN'S DAY.

We call attention to the decrease in collections on Children's day, and urge a more general observance of the day. We also regret that we are compelled to mention the fact again that some of the brethren seem to forget the provision of the discipline as to the disposition of the collection and to divert it to other objects than the needy Sunday Schools. Of the \$597 reported as collected on Children's day only \$401.19 has been paid to the board.

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We are ready to furnish free programmes for Children's Day to all schools ageeing to observe the law on the subject and hope all our schools will avail themselves of the offer. We urgently request all our preachers and superintendents to send the Children's day collection at once to the treasurer of the Sunday School Board. The treasurer will promptly acknowledge its receipt.

LITERATURE.

We take pleasure in recommending our own literature, which is second to none, and which is decidedly the best for our own people. We mention especially the Sunday School Magazine, which we regard indispensable to the teacher, who desires to be well equipped. Its increase in circulation for the year was 3,000, giving it a present circulation of 40,000. The Children's Visitor is constantly improving and growing in favor. Its circulation is now 69,500, a gain of 19,000 during the year. We recommend it to our Sunday Schools and homes as worth many times its cost.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The experience of the past two years has encouraged the Sunday School Board and Epworth League Board to continue to hold a Joint Sunday School Convention and Epworth League Conference this year. It will be held at Salem, Virginia, at such time as may be appointed by the Executive Committee, composed of Honorable M. L. Walton as President, and the Presidents of the Sunday School and Epworth League Boards respectively, as Vice-Presidents.

APPLICATIONS FOR AID.

Applications for aid to needy Sunday Schools should be addressed to the President of the new Sunday School Board to be organized immediately after the adjourment of the Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES S. STANTON, Secretary.

A. M. CACKLEY, Chairman.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

Notwithstanding the state of the weather, the past winter has been most unfavorable, especially in the rural districts, to the collection of the various assessments of the Conference, yet it is gratifying to report a slight increase over last year in the amount collected for Church Extension purposes. Our receipts are about 61 per cent. of the whole amount assessed. This, however, is too far below the standard to justify self-exultation or pride. We ought at least so nearly approach the total assessment that every application for aid should receive a liberal appropriation from our funds. It is painful to us to be compelled every year to reject some applications altogether, and to assign to others but a small proportion of the amount actually needed, and essential to their relief. May we not hope that increased receipts from year to year will manifest a growing interest in this most important department of church enterprise, and multiply yet more widely its beneficient results.

The four qudrennia that have elapsed since the inauguration of the Church Extension movement have borne increasing witness to the wisdom of its conception, and the wonderful amount of good it has wrought. The multiplication of houses of worship through this agency throughout our

connectional territory, especially upon the western frontier and in the foreign fields, advances the church along all the lines of true progress and development. About \$50,000 have been expended for this purpose in the bounds of our own Conference, and have contributed, perhaps, more than any other cause to our growth and prosperity.

Out of fifteen applications to our Board for aid, we have been able to extend help only to ten. Some of the cases were so urgent that the very salvation of the churches involved seemed to depend upon prompt and liberal assistance on our part. In others, the form of application was defective, and the papers received too late to allow of their correction in time. We must again call attention to that action of the Board requiring all applications to be in hand a month in advance of the annual meeting of the Board.

· We refer to the Treasurer's report for a statement of receipts and expenditures, including appropriations to the several churches.

We append to this reports of the Secretary and of the Treasurer of the Woman's Home Mission Society of our Conference. It will be seen how rapidly this important arm of our work is extending its sphere of usefulness. Having added to the Parsonage feature that of Home Missions, the latter has already assumed no mean proportions, and in its various forms of benevolent activity has been productive of great good.

We heartily commend this organization to the most cordial sympathy and support of the ministry and membership of the church and urge the formation of auxiliary societies in all our charges where they do not now exist.

Respectfully submitted,

G. Dorsey White, Secretary.

SAMUEL K. Cox, President.

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TREASURER'S REPORT CHURCH EXTENSION.

. $Receipts.$			
March 29, 1898—Balance on hand \$ 11 April 11, 1899—Received on assessments 2,454	74 69	\$2,466	43
Disbursements.			
April 11, 1899—Remitted parent Board	35 65	1,239	00
Balance for distribution		\$1,227	43
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Balance on hand..... \$7 43

Assessments and Payments by Districts.

DISTRICTS.	Ass'd.	Paid	Deficit.	Paid in 1898.	Jncr. this year.	Dec. this year.
Baltimore	\$628	\$399 16	\$228 84	\$391	\$ 8 16	
East Baltimore	448	236 00	262 00	241		\$ 5 :
Washington	665	527 00	138 00	512	15 00	
Winchester	524	320 00	204 00	337		17
Rockingham	449	278 53	170 47	263	15 53	
Roanoke	497	321 00	176 00	290	31 00	
Lewisburg	347	161 00	186 00	175		14.
Moorefield	392	212 00	180 00	179		
Total	\$4,000	2,454 69	\$1,545 31	\$2,388	\$102 69	\$36
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Assessments, for 1899-1900.

Baltimore District	\$591	00
East Baltimore District	.535	00
Washington District		
Winchester District	524	00
Rockingham District	449	00
Roanoke District	497	00
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REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S PARSONAGE AND HOME MISSION. SOCIETY FOR THE YEAR 1898-99.

Dear Fathers and Brethren of the Baltimore Conference:

It is with pleasure and gratitude for the cordial co-operation of our brethren in the ministry that we submit to you our yearly record, as far as finite vision goes, of the work of the Baltimore Conference Home Mission Society. We rejoice to report improvement along all lines; and by a continuance of your prayers, and assistance in our aim of maintaining and establishing, in every pastoral charge, a band of consecrated women, whose duties shall be to make comfortable their own preacher's home, and by a regular visitation of the strangers, sick, poor, and aged, the reading of God's word and bestowing of charity where it is needed, to hold up and strengthen their pastor's hands, and aid him in the extension of Christ's Kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. H. BUCHANAN, Conf. Cor. Sec.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF BALTIMORE CONFERENCE PAR-SONAGE AND HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

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Amount specials reported, (spent in auxiliaries)			812 87
Total			,657 09
Amount disbursed, including dues and specials sen			
and expense of Soc. and to assist Lexington pa	rsonage, (\$50) \$	836 07
Total received	844 22		
Carried over	73 35		
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Number of annual district meetings held	1
Number of district parsonages	5
Number of visits made to sick and strangers	1,476
Number of visits made to corrective or benevolent institutions	5
Number of cottage prayer meetings or Bible readings held	24
Number of garments in good order distributed	66
Number of needy relieved	28

Boxes of supplies have been sent to needy preachers and to the Cubans. Much local home mission work has been done. Mrs. J. H. Wolff, Mrs. Mary Birch, Mrs. Geo. W. Keys have been made patrons of the P. W. Loan Fund. Revs. J. T. Williams C. M. Hawkins, C. H. Buchanan and C. K. Millican have been made patrons of the Educational Loan Fund.

One society supports a girl in Crittenton Home in Norfolk, Va. Nine new auxiliaries have been organized. Much local parsonage work has been done, and there has been broadening of sympathies, strengthening along all lines, and fuller consecration of workers to the Master's cause. We thank God and take courage. One parsonage helped to the extent of \$100.

MRS. C. H. BUCHANAN, Corresponding Secretary.

REPORT OF EPWORTH LEAGUE BOARD.

The Board has heard with much pleasure through the report of the the general Secretary, Dr. H. M. DuBose, of the prosperity of the League work generally, and especially of the increased circulation of the Epworth Era. This paper has greatly improved under its present management, and we heartily recommend that our pastors, and the officers of Leagues actively exert themselves to secure a larger patronage for the paper, and thereby place it on a paying basis and furnish leaguers with an almost essential adjunct to their work.

The question of organizing and establishing an Orphanage, toward the support of which the League should direct its attention as a special object of care and activity, has been considered by this Board and we recommend the appointment of a committee by the presiding bishop, to take into consideration the advisability of entering upon the enterprise, and report to the next annual session of this Conference, with such plans as they may approve for its organization and operation.

The Corresponding Secretary's report shows a steady growth in every district of the Conference, and the church is feeling the impulse of new life imparted through the Leagues. He reports about 213 chapters, 35 of which are Juniors. The total membership is approximately 8,303, of whom 1,100 are Juniors. The chapters are distributed among the districts as follows: Raltimore, 32, East Baltimore, 20, Washington, 28, Winchester, 27, Rockingham, 29, Roanoke 14, Lewisburg 11, Moorefield, 25. District organizations have been effected in all districts.

From the information which we have, we believe that much good can be accomplished by the interchange of visits by the individual Chapters, learning each others methods and forming closer associations.

The literature of the League, especially such matter as relates to organization and working of departments, should be liberally provided and distributed.

This Board, in connection with the Sunday School Board after full conference, recommend the following:

1st. That a joint convention of Epworth League Conference and Sunday School Conventions be had at Salem, Va., at such time as the executive committee shall hereafter determine.

2d. That the executive committee consist of Mr. M. L. Walton as president, who has been so elected by the two boards in joint session, and two

vice-presidents, who shall be the president of the Epworth League Board and Sunday School Board respectively, which shall be appointed at this Conference.

3d. That said executive committee shall arrange the program and all necessary details of such joint convention. We also recommend the election of G. H. Lamar of Washington, D. C., as Conference Corresponding Secretary of the League.

4th. That a collection be taken at the Annual League Conference to defray the expenses of the Corresponding Secretary. That at the close of each District League Conference, the Secretary of such Conference do, at once send to Brother Lamar, as Corresponding Secretary, a full report of the Conference, with such additional items of interest as will enable him to be informed of the condition of the work throughout the conference.

EDWARD S. CONRAD, Secretary.

J. W. GRUBB, President.

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REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CORPORATE BOARD OF FINANCE.

Baltimore Conference, M. E. Church, South.

Assets.		
Two ground rents, \$36 each, payable January and July\$. 72 θ	00
Ten houses in fee on Cleveland street	4,000 0	0
Two ground rents, \$68 each, payable March and September	136.0	0(
One ground rent, \$70, payable in March and September	70 0	0
One ground rent, \$145, payable in April and October	145 0	9
One ground rent, \$90.75, payable May and November	90 7	5
One ground rent, \$40, payable January and July	40 0	00
One ground rent, \$81. payable August and February	81 0)()
One ground rent, \$50, payable May and November	50 0	0
One ground rent, \$300, payable May and November	$300 \mathrm{G}$)0
\$3,000, bequest of Mrs. Caroline Sewell, invested in Baltimore		
City Stock, yielding	105 (0(
\$400 loaned Wesley Grove Association, yielding	20 (06
\$975, bequest of Mrs. Fulton, loaned to Trustees of Randolph-		
Macon College, yielding	58 8	50
Charles Shipley, Treasurer in Account with the Corporate Board of	Financ	ce.
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dolph-Macon College 58	50

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March 22, 1899-By taxes, water rents and other ex-		
penses Cleveland street houses\$	190 45	
By amount paid Joint Board of		
Finance	1,200 00	
By balance on hand	200 83	
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COMMITTEES.

MEMOIRS.

The mortuary record of our Conference for the past year presents about the same average mortality during the preceding years of its history. From the date of the civil war to the present, a period of thirty-three years, ninety names have been erased from the roll of membership, but all of them we trust had an ineffaceable record in the Lamb's Book of Life.

It is a solemn reminder, as we meet from year to year, that all of us shall not meet again in our annual convocation. May this thought make us more diligent to do the work assigned us "while it is day," knowing that "the night cometh when no man can work."

Of the three who have left us since our last session for their rest and reward on high, one had long been burdened with physical infirmity, and had well nigh reached the extreme limit of human life. The other two were among the most robust and vigorous members of our body. Who thought at our last Conference that George H. Zimmerman and Alfred O. Armstrong would so soon close their ministry on earth?

Rev. JOHN W. TONGUE.

The subject of this memoir was born at Warrenton, Va., on the 12th day of February, 1821, and died on the 31st of December, 1898, so that he was within a month or two of seventy-eight at the time of his departure. His parents died when he was quite a child. He found a gaurdian and friend in Mrs. Sarah Francis, who for some years sustained to him the relation of a foster mother. She sent him to a country boarding school in Stafford county, Va., owned and conducted by Mr. Chas. Tackett. In his 18th year he became a student at Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., and was converted to God at a revival held in the Methodist Church of that town, under the charge of Rev. T. C. Thornton, on the 22d of January, 1840, and promptly connected himself with that church as a probationer. He was licensed to exhort by the Quarterly Conference of Carlisle Station, Baltimore Conference, and was licensed to preach by the Quarterly Conference of Raymond Station, Mississippi Conference, Rev. John Lane, Presiding Elder.

In the fall of 1843 he succeeded Rev. Thos Bowman (now senior Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church) on Berwick Circuit, Baltimore Conference. He was recommended from this Circuit for admission into the Annual Conference, and was received on trial into said Conference March, 1844, at Charlestown, W. Va., and sent to Sunbury Circuit, Northumberland District. In 1845 he was sent to Jersey Shore Circuit, same district. March 15, 1846, he was ordained Deacon at Eutaw Street Church, Baltimore, by Bishop Elijah Hedding, and assigned to Milton Circuit. He was appointed to Bloomingdale Circuit as preacher in charge in 1847 and 1848.

On the 12th of March, 1848, he was ordained Elder at the Conference held at Light Street Church, Baltimore, by Bishop Beverly Waugh. During his charge of Bloomingdale Circuit, his labors were blessed in the conversion of many precious souls, 300 of whom were added to the church.

His next appointment was as junior preacher to Fayette Street Station, Baltimore city, Rev. Samuel Bryson being preacher in charge.

In 1852 he was appointed to Shepherdstown; in 1853, to Salem. Lewis burg District. In 1854, 1855, 1855, and 1857, he was assigned to McVeytown and Williamsburg, Pa., and to Fairfax, Springfield, and Berkeley Circuits, Va. The war broke out and he remained on Berkeley Circuit for five years

from the date of his appointment. He was returned to Springfield from the Conference held in Alexandria, Va., was then sent to Jefferson Circuit, where he remained three years; then to Woodstock, where in 1870 his health failed. At the Conference in March, 1871, he was granted a superannuated relation, and continued to sustain this relation till the time of his death. He settled in Charlestown, W. Va., and made that his home till within a few weeks of his departure for his home in Heaven.

In the Spring of 1846 he was married to Miss Sophia G. Brice, daughter of John and Sarah Brice, of Baltimore city. For over forty-five years she was a faithful and loving wife, and a devoted help-meet to him both in his active ministry and in the period of his disablement and infirmity.

She preceded him about eight years to that higher realm of being, where doubtless he has already rejoined her.

Brother Tongue was a man of great earnestness, consecration and zeal, full of faith and of the Holy Ghost; an effective speaker and a ready writer. During the period of his retirement he rendered what service he could to the church. Till quite recently his sprightly communications to our Conference paper were read with great interest by the readers of that journal. He seemed of late almost to have renewed his youth, preaching occasionally with great fervor and acceptability, but it was the flaring up of the flame before its final extinguishment.

A few weeks ago he came on a visit to Mrs. George G. Ott, of this city, a lady whom he partially raised, and who greatly reveres his memory. Here he was taken seriously ill, and after a season of severe and unintermitted suffering, which he bore with unmurmuring patience, he fell sweetly asleep in Jesus at 9 o'clock, on the morning of the closing day of the last year.

Rev. GEORGE H. ZIMMERMAN.

Rev. George H. Zimmerman was born near Dickeyville, Baltimore county, Md., September 20, 1838, and died in Baltimore, Md., November 3d, 1898, aged 60 years, one month and fourteen days. He was the oldest son of Joshua and Elizabeth, Zimmerman. His father died about 3 years ago and his mother, aged 84 years, is still living. His father, a man of great integrity, and a Methodist of the old type, was a sturdy and substantial farmer, who, amid pleasant home influences and social surroundings, gave careful training to his children in morals and religion. He was also in a condition to give his son George such literary advantages as fitted him for his life work.

The subject of this memoir gave his heart to God and united with the church early in life. The soundness of his conversion was seen in his uniform uprightness of life and in the manly christian character which he developed. His call to the ministry was as conscious and clear as his conversion. But to him a call to preach meant a call to get ready, so that, as a preparation to his high and holy calling, he entered Washington College, at Chestertown, Md., where he passed two years, and then entered Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., where he graduated as a Bachelor of Arts in 1859. And three years later he graduated from the same college as a Master of Arts. These were the best schools the Methodist Church then offered a young preacher.

He was admitted on trial into the Baltimore Conference at the session held in Winchester, Va., March, 1860, and was appointed as junior preacher on Fairfax Circuit; Rev. W. G. Coe was the senior pastor. The following year he was appointed to Charles Circuit with Rev. C. Parkinson. During this year the Civil War broke out. His sumpathy with the South led him to enter as a private soldier a battery of Gen. Stuart's Horse Artillery. He was afterwards appointed a chaplain in the 12th Virginia Cavalry, and at the close of the war was a staff officer in the army of Northern Virginia.

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The unsettled condition which the war brought about interferred with his graduation in the Conference to ministerial orders. It was not till 1866 that he was elected both to Deacon's and Elder's orders, at the Conference in Alexandria, Va., and was ordained by Bishop John Early. From the Conference in Alexandria he was sent to Lewisburg, W. Va., but during the year he was transferred to Winan's, afterwards St. Paul's Church, Baltimore.

During this year, October 3, 1866, he was united in marriage to Miss Henrietta Rowe, of Charles county, Maryland. His wife died September 7, 1888. His subsequent appointments were: Harford, 1867; Baltimore, Circuit, 1868-9; Piedmont, 1870-71; East Baltimore Station, 1872-3; Cumberland, 1874-5: Moorfield, 1876-8; Easton, 1879-81; Presiding Elder of Roanoke District, 1882-86; Woodstock, 1886-87; West River, 1888-91; Hyattsville, 1892-93; Presiding Elder of Moorefield District, 1894-98.

In March, 1898, he was sent as Presiding Elder to the Baltimore District, and in connection with this, and by the appointment of the Bishop, he became the Editor of the Baltimore Christian Advocate. This was his last appointment.

In all these relations, as son, husband, father, preacher, pastor, Presiding Elder, and editor of the Conference paper, he was faithful. His character cannot be epitomized and expressed in a single word more suitable than the word fidelity. The highest eulogy that our Lord is represented as bestowing upon his servants at the last day is "good and faithful servants."

Judged by God's standard, Brother Zimmerman was a good and faithful man. His personal piety was bright and joyful. There was nothing morose or sombre about it. He believed in God his Father with the simplicity of a child. He trusted in the infinite merit of Christ with an abiding confidence, and in the Holy Ghost as his Sanctifier, Comforter, and Teacher. I doubt if anyone ever heard him utter a discouraging or disheartening word. He did not make a loud profession, nor boast great attainments in personal piety, but he let his life show what manner of man he was. He was an unselfish man. We do not claim that be was without faults. He never so estimated himself, but we do say, that a more unselfish preacher cannot be found among us. In all his bearings towards his brethren, he exemplified the teaching of St. Paul, and in "honor preferred" others. He was competent to fill any place that the church might have given him, and he usually left the church he served in an improved condition, yet if he was sent to fill less conspicuous places than his brethren he did not complain; he had no feeling of jealousy and did his work with a cheerful heart. He loved the Methodist Church; he loved its institutions, doctrines, usages and people. He loved his brethren in the ministry especially, and they in turn loved him. His fraternal and social attachments were not variable. They did not change with the years. genial smile, a pleasant word of greeting and a warm grasp of the hand he would meet you time after time, and you felt that those were the sincere expressions of a noble heart that beat warm in the breast.

He loved to preach. It was a supreme joy to him to declare "the whole counsel of God." His sense of responsibility was so great, his love for souls so manifest, and his desire to see Zion prosper so strong that he could not consent to preach a strengthless or impaired gospel. He had nothing to do with fads or fancies. He repudiated sensationalism and all attempts to gratify a distempered imagination, please the fancy and feed a depraved appetite. He was a sound, sensible, strong Scriptural preacher of the gospel.

He loved the great themes of the gospel, and if in their presentation he was ever thought to be uninteresting, because he was metaphysical, yet he would, after laying his plan and stating his leading thoughts, gather up his mental resources, and in a strong, vigorous application impress the theme upon his hearers with telling effect. While he was brave yet he was

modest, and on this account he did not always appear to advantage, but at other times he surprised his closest friends. This was especially seen in his editorial work. No one doubted his intellectual capacity nor mental equipment for this nor any other work the Church gave him, but in this he went beyond expectation, and gave great delight to his friends.

His love for work amounted to a passion. During his sickness his mind dwelt much upon this. He seemed to desire to live for the work he might do. Even up to a few days before he died he directed the affairs of his district and arranged for his quarterly meetings. He was taken ill about the first of September with what he thought was rheumatism, but what his physician soon saw was the clotting of blood in the arteries of the limbs, due to valvular affection of the heart. Further on in his sickness pnuemonia developed, and this was the immediate cause of his death. Just before he died, being unable to speak, but having full possession of his faculties, he put his arm around the necks of his children, drew them to him, and kissed them. He looked up and waved his hand, as if he was saluting some one invisible to all but himself. Whom did he see in that vision? In a few minutes he "was not," for God had taken him.

After funeral services conducted by Revs. I. W. Canter and J. S. Hutchinson, his body was laid to rest in Loraine Cemetery, there to await the resurrection of the just.

Rev. ALFRED O. ARMSTRONG.

The Rev. Alfred O. Armstrong, son of Josiah and Matherial Armstrong, was born near Doe Hill, Highland county, Virginia, March 5, 1854, and died in Rockville, Montgomery county, Maryland, January 29, 1899.

Early in life, deeply convicted of sin, he sought and found salvation through faith in Christ, and from that time on through all the years until the day of his death he enjoyed the consciousness of God's presence and peace.

Immediately after his conversion he united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Doe Hill, and evinced the genuineness of his professed change by at once engaging in active and efficient service in his Master's

In 1875 he was licensed to preach, and in October of that year he preached his first serman in Bethlehem Church, Monterey Circuit, from Romans 1, 16, "For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth."

That test was the key to his entire ministry, and fidelity to the Gospel of Christ the leading trait of his after life.

During the remainder of 1875, and until the ensuing meeting of the Annual Conference in March, 1876, he traveled under the Presiding Elder, the Rev. John L. Gilbert, on Monterey Circuit, preaching on Sunday and teaching school during the week. The following year, 1876, at its session held at Winchester, Virginia, he was received on trial by the Baltimore Conference, and was assigned as junior preacher to Monterey Circuit, the Rev. A. Q Flaherty being preacher in charge.

Their united ministry resulted in a great and wide spread revival of religion sweeping over the entire Circuit. Many souls were converted and the Church was greatly edified.

1877 Brother Armstrong was returned to Monterey Circuit.

March, 1878, at its session held in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, Maryland, he was received into full connection by the Baltimore Conference, and was ordained deacon by Bishop Holland N. McTyeire, and was that year sent to Hillsdale Circuit. 1879-80 he traveled Greenbank Circuit.

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At the session of the Baltimore Conference held at Front Royal, Virginia, March, 1880, he was ordained elder by Bishop Keener. 1881 he was sent to Union Circuit, West Virginia. 1882 and 1883 he traveled Covington Circuit. 1884 he was transferred to the Southwest Missouri Conference and was appointed to Waverly Station, but before beginning his work there he was transferred back to the Baltimore Conference, and was assigned to Levelton Circuit. 1885, 1886 and 1887 he traveled Blacksburg Circuit. 1888 he was on Stafford Circuit. He traveled Bridgewater Circuit from 1889 to 1892—four years. In 1893 he was sent to Berryville Circuit, remaining there four years. In 1897 he was sent to Rockville Circuit, where he remained until God called him home.

In September, 1878, brother Armstrong was united in marriage to Miss Ella L. Stalnacker, of Lewisburg, West Virginia. His wedded life was singularly happy. His was a model home, where all domestic and christian duties and graces found ample unfoldment. Their love reigned supreme, and the memory of his saintly life constitutes a precious heritage to wife and daughter who survive him.

Brother Armstrong was not an ordinary man. In early life, possessed of but few material or intellectual advantages, undaunted by the difficulties which surrounded him, he fixed for himself a high standard and aimed at the attainment of lofty things; and that idomitable will, untiring zeal and persistent application which were so characteristic of his life, led to no small measure of success, for he attained to a range of knowledge and a degree of culture that were not inconspicuous.

He worked nearly all his days under great disadvantages, for he ever bore with him a diseased and hindering body.

Very much of physical suffering was crowded into his life, yet fidelity to all his obligations marked his ministry.

Always cheerful, free from artifice, modest, unassuming and attractive, largely possessed of that uncommon gift—common sense—preserving ever that dignity that ought to characterize the minister of Christ, yet ever manifesting that spirit of joyousness which ought to mark religious character, he impressed all with whom he came in contact as being a Christian gentleman, and there is no higher thing on earth than that.

This sketch would not be complete nor do our brother justice, did we not refer to his character as a preacher. In the pulpit he was a man of more than ordinary ability.

He never dealt in metaphysical abstractions; speculation had no place in his preaching; sensationalism was repugnant to his nature; the great fundamental truths of the Bible were ever the subjects of his pulpit commentary, and he presented them logically, with incisiveness and power—yea, even the power of the Holy Ghost.

He never dared enter the pulpit without the most diligent preparation and earnest prayer.

Brother Armstrong preached his last sermon on Christmas day. Those who heard it speak of it as a sermon of remarkable beauty, pathos and power. For weeks he had been in feeble health, and though his friends realized it not, "his sickness was unto death."

He went from that Christmas service home to die. For days his life hung in the balance. Medical skill exhausted itself and was baffled. The work committed to him was done, and God was about to take his servant home.

Brother Armstrong himself realized that the time of his departure was at hand, and without a cloud dimming his sight or a fear filling his heart, bound to this world only by the ties of wife and child, for whose welfare he was extremely solicitous, he spoke with confidence of his victory over death and calmly made all preparations for his burial.

Just before his death he wrote the following lines and pinned them in his diary:

"In peace let me resign my breath And thy salvation see; My sins deserve eternal death, But Jesus died for me."

On Sunday, January 29th, the end came.

He had often expressed a desire to die on Sunday, and God granted his desire.

Without a struggle, sustained by the grace of God, he passed through the valley of death into the kingdom of light and life.

After appropriate service, held in Rockville Chruch, his body was laid to rest in Rock Creek Cemetery, Rockville, to await the coming of his Lord.

IN MEMORIAM.

Our Brethren who have fallen on sleep since 1866.

"They * * rest from their labors, and their works do follow them."

NAME.	Ent'd Conf.	PLACE OF DEATH.	TIME.	AGE.	ZIN Z
Eldridge R. Veitch	1831	Stephens' City, Va	1867, Feb. 10	57	
David Trout	1837	Front Royal, Va	1869, Dec. 6	74	П
Daniel H. Parrish	1855	Baltimore City	1871. Feb	37	П
John L. Gibbons	1820	Baltimore Co., Md	1871. July	70	1
David Shoaff	1848	Woodstock, Va	1871. May 26	48	
Stephen Smith	1830	Rerkeley Springs, Va	1871. Oct. 9l	69	1
James D. Nally, (prob.)	1870	Bladensburg, Md	1871	26	
William G. Cross	1846	Leesburg, VaAlexandria, Va	1873. Aug. 4	51	
John W. Bull	1049	Alexandria, Va	1873. Dec. 25	54	ı
Lewis Henley, (prob.)	1873	Greenbrier Co., W. Va Botetourt Co., Va Frederick Co., Va Loudon Co., Va Churchville, Va,	1874. Jan. 19	24	П
Richard S. Shreve	1869	Botetourt Co., Va	1874, June 25	34	1
William S. Baird	1842	Frederick Co., Va	1874, Aug. 3	59	ı
Lorenzo D. Nixon	1854	Loudon Co., Va	1875, Jan. 28:	63	
James F. Liggett	1855	Churchville, Va	1875, April	44	1
Foushee C. Tebbs	1845			55	1
Jason P. Etchison	1852	Arlington, Md	1876, May 31	55	
Norval Wilson	1821			73	ı
Henry C. Pitzer	1872	Covington, VaLewisburg, Va	1877, Feb. 8	32	1
William G. Coe	1854	Lewisburg, Va	1877, March 29.	45	1
Dabney Ball	1843	Baltimore City	1878, Feb. 15	58	1
William J. Perry	1858	Staunton, Va	11878. May 12	39	1
John N. Gray	1860	Hampshire Co., W. Va	1878, Oct. 18	39	1
George G. Brooke	1829	Berryville, Va	1878, Dec. 8	69	П
James Higgins	1867	Baltimore City	1879, Feb. 13	70	1
Thomas B. Sargent	1825	Raltimore City	11879, Oct. 13	74	1
Wm. H. Wheelwright	1846	Warren Co., Va	1879, Dec. 17	55	
Michael P. Scanlan	1874	Waverly, Md	11879, Dec. 26	26	
John L. Gilbert	1842	Brucetown, Va	1880, Jan. 28	61	- 1
Fzra F. Busey	1842	Baltimore City	1880, May 13	60	
Jehu Hank	1828	Monroe Co., W. Va	1880, July 7	79	1
Enoch G. Jamison	1841	Newport, Va	1880, Dec. 10	60	
Benjamin Arbogast	1857	Winchester, Va	1881, March 31.	50	- 1
George B. Allen	1861	Hariord Co., Md	1001, Dept. 4	91	
Samuel Regester	1040	Prince George's Co., Md	· 1881, Oct. 17	63	
S. Samuel Roszell	T090	Fauquier Co., Va Baltimore City	. 1882, April 27	66	
John Poisal	1821	Baltimore City	· 1882, June 25.	75	
Edward G. Vandiver	1870		. 1883. Sept. 3	. 31	
Samuel Kepler	1827	Baltimore City	1884, Aug. 1		
William H. Wilson	1844	Washington City	1884	60	
Charles L. Torreyson	1859		. 1885, April 29.	. 52	
Alexander B. Blue	1870		1885, June 6	. 34	
James H. March	184%	Middletown, va	1885, July 30	. 65	
George M. Lightner	1808		1886, Feb. 14	. 81	
Frank M. Strother	1066	Markham, Va	1886, UCT. 29	34	
Leonidas R. Greene	1870	Roanoke City, va	1886, NOV. 23.	. 3	
William L. Lynch	1812	Berryville, va	• 1100/. March 20	1. 4	
S. Holland Engle, (prob.) 1880		1887, June 12.	. 2.	3
Thomas Hildebrand	. 1838	Monterey, va	1887, NOV. 28	. 7	
Joseph N. Spangler	1845	Baltimore City	· 1887, Dec. 27	. 6	
James Beaty	. 1890	Moorefield, W. Va	1888, April 18.	. 6	
John S. Martin	. 1000		1888, July 8	. 7	
William R. Stringer	. 1000		1888, NOV. 15.	. 5	
Lewis C. Miller	1803	Harrisonburg, Va	1889, April 25.	. 4	
Gilson Manzy	. I851		1889, NOV		
George R. Jefferson	. 1855	Parnassus, Va	1890, Jan. 8	. 5	
wm. T. Quinn	1000	Baltimore City	1890, Feb. 26	. 6	1
Andrew Robey	. 1860	Edinburg, Va	1890. March 14	1. 6	1

IN MEMORIAM—Continued.

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Paris M. Henderson, (Pr.) Samuel S. Troy Maurice C. Mehrling, (Pr.) John W. Ewan. Alfred A. Eskridge Francis A. Richey John Landstreet Presley B. Smith Rdward F. Heterick Henry Hoffman John C. Dice. K. Stewart Cunningham Sam'l D. Benningten. (Pr.) Charles M. Brown. George Stevenson. William W. Hedrick Samuel W. Haddaway. William A. Wade M. G. Balthis. John W. Wolfe Samuel Rodgers. Milton M. Long. David Thomas. William K. Boyle. Silas R. Snapp. John W. Boteler. Joshua M. Grandin. Robert Ross. Joseph H. Temple. Felix M. Totten. Geo. H. Zimmerman. Jno. W. Tongue Alfred O. Armstrong

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BIBLE CAUSE.

The Committee on Bible Cause beg leave to submit the following report: From information furnished us from reliable sources, there is a great need for a distribution of the Bible.

Within some of the territory of our Conference many homes are destitute of the Word of God, and some sections have not been visited by a Bible colporter within the last twelve or fifteen years.

Throughout the bounds of the United States it is estimated that about one family in twelve is without the Bible. We realize that the word of God above all books should be circulated, and that as far as possible it is our duty to do all we can to bring about this result.

We regret to report that very little is contributed in the bounds of our Conference toward this important work and many of the charges failed to pay anything, only \$375 being paid this year, showing a decrease of \$73.

To remedy this neglect of a plain, disciplinary duty, your committee respectfully recommend that all our preachers preach on the importance of the Bible Cause and take a collection for this object.

We further recommend that an effort be made by each preacher to find out the destitute in his charge and supply them with Bibles.

Respectfully submitted,

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

Your committee, after carefully considering the several matters committed to them, respectfully submit the following report:

First. The results of the year's work of the Publishing House, as shown by the report of the Book Agents, considered in the light of the unsettled condition of finances, are highly gratifying. The gain of \$50,000 in the assets of the house during such a period, gives evidence of energy and prudence in its management. We wish most heartily to commend the periodicals, Sunday-school literature and books issued by the house. We are particularly gratified by their high standard of excellence, able editorial management, and by the fact that our periodicals have become self-supporting. We desire to see them extensively circulated, and recommend them, without exception, to the patronage of our people. We regard them as fully equal to the publications of any church in America.

Second. We wish to express our appreciation of the faithful service of Rev. J. S. Hutchinson as Editor of the Baltimore Christian Advocate. We believe that he deserves the sincere thanks of the Baltimore Conference for his careful management of the paper under difficult conditions.

Third. We recommend that the Baltimore Advocate be continued as the organ of this Conference. It will hereafter be published upon a plan that we think will prove satisfactory to the Conference. The publisher, Rev. J. Lafferty, has given us guarantees that we deem reasonable and sufficient. The general management of the paper will be entirely under the control of the editor appointed by this Conference. No matter or advertisements will be admitted without his approval. We believe that the new arrangement will make the Advocate more fully the organ of the Baltimore Conference. The size of the paper will remain the same as in the past. We recommend that the Rev. John O. Knott be appointed editor-in-chief, with Revs. F. J. Prettyman, J. H. Light and W. S. Hammond to serve as associate editors. We urge the members of the Conference to do all in their power to extend the circulation of the paper, and trust that it will prove eminently successful under the new management.

A. P. Boude, Secretary.

L. L. LLOYD, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

- 1. We call attention of our people to the discipline in paragraph 215: "Let all our preachers and members abstain from the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage, from signing petitions for such sale, in becoming bondsmen for any person as a candidate for obtaining license, and from renting property to be used for such sale. If any member shall violate any provision of this paragraph it shall be the duty of the pastor to deal with the offender. Chapter VII, section V."
- 2. We recommend that temperance meetings be held at least once a year in our several charges, especially in the interest of the young people, or that a discourse be delivered on the subject.
- 3. We heartily recommend that our people avail themselves of the benefit of the local option laws of Virginia, West Virginia and Maryland, and urge them to press the contest against the liquor traffic in the exercise of their rights as citizens in their respective districts, counties, towns and cities.
- 4. We are in hearty sympathy with all organizations that seek by lawful and proper means to suppress the liquor traffic.
- 5. We heartily commend the action of Congress in prohibiting the use of the canteen in the army, and the sale of liquor in the navy yards. Also the prohibiting of the sale of liquor in the District of Columbia on Sundays.

- 6. Resolved, That as to the matter of Sabbath observance, we urge upon our people a strict and hearty keeping of the holy day, reminding them that what human law and popular sentiment sanction may be sinful in the sight of God. Also that we protest against Sunday newspapers, resorts, excursions, bicycling (for pleasure or business) and unnecessary traveling of any kind. That we use the earnest and persistent co-operation of our people in the great effort for the preservation of our American Day of Rest.
- 7. We recommend that the foregoing resolutions be published in the Bultimore Christian Advocate.
 - J. H. Schooley, Secretary.

J. A. WILHITE, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS.

We, your Committee on District Conference Records, beg leave to report:

That we have examined carefully all the records placed in our hands, viz., those of the Baltimore, East Baltimore, Washington, Winchester, Rockingham, Lewisburg and Moorefield Districts, and take pleasure in finding:

- (1.) Each book is good, substantial and well preserved.
- (2.) The record of each district named is legible, neat, accurate and complete, with one single omission in the Rockingham Record, where the secretary fails to indicate who were present, giving only the aggregate number present.
 - (3.) The Roanoke Book was not before us.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. SIMMONS, Secretary.

F. T. GRIFFITH, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE WESLEYAN FEMALE INSTITUTE.

The Committee to receive money for the Wesleyan Institute debt beg leave to report as follows:

Apportionments and Payments by Districts.

DISTRICTS.	Apportionments.	Payments.	Balance.
Baltimore	\$392		\$392 00
East Baltimore		\$89 00	240 00
Washington		81 29	328 75
Winchester	299	109 90	190 00
Rockingham		53 00	210 00
Roanoke	339	144 00	195 00
Lewisburg		8 00	220 00
Moorefield		89 00	151 00
	\$2,500	\$573 29	\$7,926 75
Add previous collection		190 00	
Total collection		\$763 29	

We respectfully suggest that as there is only \$190, which was last year directed to be paid to teachers, and the whole amount in hand is so small, that it be all paid over to Brothers Fauver, Kinsley and Walton, and that any sums that may hereafter be paid be sent to the Presiding Elder of the Rockingham District, to be paid by him to these same brethren.

Respectfully submitted,

P. H. WHISNER, W. H. D. HARPER,

Committee.

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1 13 1 1 \$15,000 1 4,000 3,1 2 5 3 5 5 5 8,900 1 1,500 200 5 3 10 20 6 5 8,900 1 1,000 2 2 4 26 38 3 2 19,600 1 2,000 2 2,7 5 3 9 4 4 4,800 1 1,000 250 1 6 2 1 2 2 7,900 1 2,500 2 7 1 3 3 3 8,000 1 1,200 188 8 3 3 2 2 11,000 1 2,500 600 1 9 12 8 5 2,750 1 800 200 1 10 2 5 4 5,700 1 1,200 </td <td>2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17</td> <td>22 5 8 5 8 11 3 12 2</td> <td>5 2 7 4 2 10 25 8 4 11 15 11 2 10 17 15 13 14</td> <td>1 1 3 1 2 1 7 3 5 3 9 5 9 1 6 9 4 5 5</td> <td>1 1 3 1 2 1 7 3 4 2 7 4 8 1 6 7 4 5 5 5</td> <td>23,000 13,000 11,600 14,000 11,800 6,000 13,600 7,000 6,200 7,500 10,000 8,000 11,900 4,500 4,500 4,000 3,500 4,500</td> <td>1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1</td> <td>3,000 3,500 3,000 1,900 1,400 1,600 1,600 1,700 2,000 500 2,600 1,400 1,000</td> <td>2,500 1,200 1,200 350 200 350 200 250 500 951 150 600 100 100 330</td> <td>\$ 200 1,200 928 115 75 390 50 191 100 300 150 325 85 334 156 931 673 110 50</td>	2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17	22 5 8 5 8 11 3 12 2	5 2 7 4 2 10 25 8 4 11 15 11 2 10 17 15 13 14	1 1 3 1 2 1 7 3 5 3 9 5 9 1 6 9 4 5 5	1 1 3 1 2 1 7 3 4 2 7 4 8 1 6 7 4 5 5 5	23,000 13,000 11,600 14,000 11,800 6,000 13,600 7,000 6,200 7,500 10,000 8,000 11,900 4,500 4,500 4,000 3,500 4,500	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	3,000 3,500 3,000 1,900 1,400 1,600 1,600 1,700 2,000 500 2,600 1,400 1,000	2,500 1,200 1,200 350 200 350 200 250 500 951 150 600 100 100 330	\$ 200 1,200 928 115 75 390 50 191 100 300 150 325 85 334 156 931 673 110 50
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	•		Мин	BERS.		DI- DNS.		Remo	OVALS.	
	Rockingham District.	Local Preachers.	White.	this year.	By Profession.	By Certificate.	By Death.	By Expulsion.	By Church Conf. By Withdrawal.	Total Removals.
18 2 E 3 H 4 E 5 M 6 H 7 V 8 N 10 M 11 H 12 H 13 H 14 H 15 M 16 H 17 H 18 H 19 H	Pistrict Property. Itaunton Cast End & Plunkettsvill Harrisonburg Bridgewater Mt. Crawford Parnassus West Augusta Augusta Waynesboro New Hope Rockingham East Rockingham Elkton Port Republic Shenandoah Luray New Mark't & Mt. Jackso Marksville Fairfield Rock'd Baths & Bell's Va	e	652 62 411 618 344 272 176 3 565 213 172 277 315 1 267 1 284 . 306	62	666 2	0 2 2 1 1 4 2 5 6 6 1 7 7	411 2	3	8 1 37 3 3	29 5 6 26 7 12 11 22 4 21 100 16 7 15 116 3 63
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 10 11 12 13 14 15	ROANOKE DISTRICT. District Property. Salem. Greene Memorial. Trinity. St. James. Grace Roanoke Circuit. Vinton. Bethany and Belmont Buchanan Fincastle. Glen Wilton & Eagle Roanoke Wilton & Eagle Roanoke Collierstown Collierstown Elliston. Christiansburg. Blacksburg.	ock ige.	1 729 1 230 1 401 306 1 335 1 330 1 447 422 2 365 2 413 564 1 295 186 394 284 1 330	730 231 402 306 336 331 448 422 367 415 564 596 186 394 4 284 339	704 235 465 297 405 738 442 427 344 418 632 301 195 386 302 351	33 10 6 20 17 17 15 28 5 39 5 3 3 	29	72	45 113 12 6 3 16 4 53 28 3	5 8 2 1 1 3 12 3 6 2

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Infants.	Adults.	Number Societies in charge.	No. of churches.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Value of other church property	Money expended Churches and I
5 1 3 2 1 4 6 1 2 7 2 7 1 3	13 7 4	1 2 1 7 3 4 5 7 2 3 5 2 2 5 3 2 7 1 4 6 6 72	2 2 1 7 3 4 5 6 2 3 3 2 2 2 5 3 1 6 1 1 4	\$30,000 3,500 12,000 9,312 3,700 5,400 3,000 5,200 6,000 3,300 2,500 3,000 3,750 5,800 4,000 3,000 9,400 1,200 4,000 3,200	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 2 1 2 1 2 2 1	\$5,000 4,000 1,400 800 900 1,600 700 1,600 800 2,000 1,800 3,000 500 700 1,600	\$ 100 1,325 3,500 1,800 1,264 200 	\$ 250 1,700 700 872 84 630 200 157 1,100 60 600 854 3 197 78 180 638
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•	Lewisburg District.	Local Preachers.	No of Members.	this Year.	Total Members last Year.	By Profession.	By Certificate.	By Death.	By Certificate.	By Expulsion.	By Church Conf.	By Withdrawal.	Total Removals.
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18	District Property Lewisburg Frankford Blue Sulphur Green Sulphur Hinton Talcott Alderson Greenville & Peterstown Union Ronceverte & W. Sulphur Alvon Alleghany Covington Clifton Forge Millboro Levelton Huntersville Green Bank Gillett's Hot Springs	1 2 1 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	225 175 275 287 186 576 261 446 154 482 271 249 126 366 206 377 192	366 206 377 192 106	344 227 415 177 108	19 1	66 177	1	• • •	2288	11	26 1 2 1 10 5 3	13 20 6 3 23 4 30 24 39 101 1 5 13 30 22 12 19 23 4
	Moorefield District. District Property. Moorefield. Petersburg. Franklin Crab Bottom Keyser and Cumberland Elk Garden Piedmont. Frostburg. Flintstone. Romney. Springfield Slanesville Hardy Morgan Gainsboro Wardensville. Capon Bridge Listonburg Monterey McDowell		306 1 186 344 323 324 186 235 178 379 2 326 2 326 2 326 1 33 34 1 34 1 45 1 21 3 33	306 185 344 323 324 180 2232 175 576 375 6952 433 5134 45922 433	194 353 325 304 177 202 283 163 685 9 380 685 9 380 465 346 5 34 47 18 47 18 47 18 47 18 47 18 47 47 47 47 47 47 47 47 47 47	9 3 4 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 7	3 3 3 2 2 3 3 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	94.2.3.5.		56	2 2 2 3 5 5	1 3 9 2 2 3 8 1 1 1 2 2 3 8 1 3 3 9 1 1	13 33 2 12 12 11 12 2 1 1 2 2 3 3 2

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	Infants.	Adults.	Number Societies in charge.	No. of churches.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Value of other Church property.	Money expended for Churches and Par- sonages.
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 11 12 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11	3 1 2 3 2 1 3 11 11 11 7	2 12 25 1 66 3 10 4 10 13 3 7	1 7 6 1 1 5 3 11 7 5 3 5 1 1 6 5 6 8 4 4 5 5 91	7 6 1 1 3 5 6 4 2 4 1 1 3 5 5 6 4 2 4 1 3 5 3 3 5 3 3 5 3 3 3 5 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	\$4,400 4,300 3,200 750 12,000 2,300 4,400 3,500 7,000 6,000 1,500 1,800 5,000 2,500 1,000 3,200 3,000 4,800 2,500 2,500 2,500 2,500 2,500 2,500 2,500 2,500 2,500	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	\$3,500 1,500 1,000 600 300 2,000 800 1,500 1,000 1,500 600 1,500 1,500 1,500 1,500 1,500 1,500	\$40 	\$300 500 1000 65 25 5000 375 80 616 25 330 216 60 131
123456789101121314151617181920	5 14 6 11 2 4	3 1 12 1 6 8 1 1 14 35 2 4 7 2 14	4 5 5 6 2 4 2 2 6 12 7 8 7 6 6 6 8 6 8 6 8 6 8 6 8 6	3 2 2 3 2 2 5 12 5 6 6 6 6 5 3 5 4 6	\$6,300 4,000 4,500 2,500 7,134 2,000 7,000 3,600 5,000 9,650 6,200 5,200 3,400 3,900 3,700 4,000 7,100 6,865	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	\$4,000 3,500 1,000 2,050 1,250 3,000 	\$500 400 250 1,086 265 150 125 200 100 350 480 900 150	\$408 86 60 5(1,818 918 90 200 133 1,450 25 75 86 100 756 75 3,62 92

TABLE No. 1.

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

					MEM	BERS	HI	P.				
			I EM REI	Rs.	ADI			R	EM	OVATS	•	
DISTRICTS.	Local Preachers.	No. of Members.	Total members this year.	Total members last year.	By Profession.	By Certificate.	By Death.		By Expulsion.	By Church Conf.	By Withdrawal.	Total Removals.
Baltimore East Baltimore Washington Kockingham Rockingham Roanoke Lewisburg Moorefield	1 14 16 8 9 14 10 13	8,440 7,144 6,337 7,626 5,755	4,173 8,456 7,152 6,346 7,640 5,765	4,213 8,436 7,123 6,610 7,521 5,770	274 308 367 111 256 319	230 130 169 395 94	14 46 19 44 25 2	98 329 127 18	1 · · 3 7	75 67 179 259	68 79 76 35 66 62	296 482 444 738 844 377
Total		51,139 50,372	51,224 51,246	51,246	2,188 3,347	1,367 1,576	225 553			1,076 807	501 410	4060 3440
Increase	9	233	22		159	209	328	603	7	169	91	620

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RECAPITULATION DY DISTRICTS.

	BAPTI	SMS.			PR	OPE	RTY.		
			Сни	RCH	Edifices.	PAR	SONAGES.		for ar.
	Infants.	Adults.	Number Societies in charge.	No. of churches.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Value of other church property	Money expended for Churches and Par- sonages.
12345678	352 304 130 144 45 90 84 250	33 25 181 162 63 143 173 117	62 59 81 86 72 76 91 116	62 59 73 69 66 59 67 90	75,450 101,049	16 17 18 19 21 19 18 17	\$34,400 27,500 33,800 38,250 30,700 31,900 21,300 25,550	\$ 8,655 2,856 8,601 6,048 11,713 3,075 5,060 5,556	\$11,090 4.271 6,363 12,132 8,333 13,359 3,137 12,256
	1,399 1,676	897 1,534	643 649	545 536		145 140	243,400 234,825	51,564 47,820	59,941 76,930
	277	637	6	19	\$25,179	5	8,575	3,744	16,98

BALTIMORE DISTRICT.	Preach Salar	er's	Trav.	Exp's.	rent e of nage	Presid Elde	ling r.
J. A. Anderson, Presiding Elder.	Est'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	House rent p'd or rent v a l u e of parsonage	Ass'd.	Paid.
I Central—H. M. Canter	1350	1350			300	165	165
	1500	1500		• • • • •	400	020	000
2 St. Paul's & Wilkens Av—C. D. Bulla	1500 500	1500 500			400	230	230
Wm. Stevens	1200	1200				150	150
Emmanuel—W. S. Hammond Frederick Avenue—L. W. Haslup	500	300				45	30
5 Arlington & Sudbrook—J. S. Hutchinson.	1200	1200		13	250	115	115
F. L. Day	400	400	1				
6 Reisterstown—W. S. Waters	600	600	14	14	150	63	63
7 Freedom—W. A. McDonald	700	682			120	115	112
F. A. Tyler	275	268			1		
SLinganore—W. E. Woolf	625	600			100	100	95
B. L. Parrott	250	191					
9 Frederick City—J. H. Wilhite	400	400			100	33	38
10 Brunswick—Š. M. Bowman	204 900	204 872				12 155	12
Rockville—A. O. Armstrong	300	289					15
12 Gaithersburg—L. L. Lloyd.	800	800			144	95	9
13 Montgomery—W. H. Sanders	700	688			120	115	113
H. A. Febrey	300				,		11
14 Beltsville—J. C. Hawk	500		2				3
15 Hyattsville—Wm. Melville	800	600					6
16 Emory—T. F. Griffith	600	500)		. 200	52	
17 Wesley Grove—J. H. Dulany	750	750			100		
18 Laurel—C. P. Smith	500	1			-		_
19 Patuxent—T. J. Lambert	550				. 100		
20 Forest Grove—F. Furr	450	350	6			40	3
Total	16854	1600	4 2	7 2	2837	1800	173

EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.	Preacl Sala		Trav.	_	rent rrent 1 e of nage	Presid Elde	
I. W. Canter, Presiding Elder.	Est'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	House rent p'd or rent v alue of parsonage	Ass'd.	Paid.
Trinity—C. M. Hawkins Calvary—D. H. Kern North Baltimore—H T. Heironimus Taylor's—J. L. Shipley West Harford—L. Hammond East Harford—J. F. Baggs. Kent—J. E. Wilson Queen Anne's—C. L. Kennard Church Hill—S. V. Hildebrand. Hillsboro—H. M. Roane. Easton and Caroline—H. T. Wirgman B. S. Highly. Trappe—G. R. Mays Royal Oak—L. G. Martin Severn—W. E. Miller. Chesapeake—W. P. C. Coe. West River—C. M. Mark Calvert—E. H. Henry W. E. Henry W. E. Henry Prince George's—A. B. Sites J. B. Hupman. Charles—J. B. Henry Charles—J. B. Henry Charles—J. B. Henry Charles—J. B. Henry Charles—J. B. Henry Charles—J. B. Henry Charles—J. B. Henry Charles—J. B. Henry Charles—J. B. Henry Charles—J. B. Henry Charles—J. W. Moore	400 750 220 500	2000 1000 400 750 450 550 504 455 300 462 517 600 234 680 197 361 68	28 10 32 13 10	10	120 100 100 100 75 100 100 75 125	106 57 72 76 91 45 116	310 106 56 73 50 73 76 91 71 37 66 57 58 73 91 27 98 41
Total	12730		-		6 230	-	1536

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	Bish	ops.	Confe Claim	rence ants.	Chu		Edu	n.	Am.B. Soc'y.			her Objects.	tal from Sources
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd:	Paid.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Other Ob	Total from all Sources
1	37	37	196	196	58	58	34	34	10	7	7	600	7333
2	50	50	273	273	80	80	48	48		8	8	1960	7577
3 4 5	33 10 26	19 3 26	53	104 7 136	53 16 40	30 1 40	31 10 24	18 1 24	1 7	4 5	4 5	300 250 325	2476 701 4579
6	14 26	14 26		52 136	23 40	15 20	15	8	1	3 5	3 5	150 120	1440 2230
8	22	22	118	69	35	15	20	20	4	5	5	75	1583
9 10 11	9 3 34	9 3 25	14	39 14 130	13 4 54	13 4 20	9 2 32	9 2 12	2 12	2 1 7	2 1 2	100 100 296	705 1055 2824
12 13	21 26	21 26		80 126	33 40	18 20	24	15	4	5	4	200 123	1772 2950
14 15 16 17 18 19 20	17 11 19 7	19	95 61 113 7 42	47 25 30 165 8 77 15	14 28 17 32 11 23 14	14 10 5 9 2 23 2	9 16 11 18 6 13 9	9 10 5 13 2	1 2 1	2 4 1 4 3	2 1 1 1	150 100 175 198 280 50 40	1375 1479 1268 1583 1222 1380 582
	396	349	2135	1729	628	399	331	230	48	70	53	5592	45728

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	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Other Obj	Total all Sou
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11	50 21 8 12 8 13 13 15 15 10 21	50 21 5 12 8 5 13 15 4 7	271 113 50 67 42 76 76 84 80 56 89	271 113 28 67 42 12 40 35 18 15 21	81 34 16 21 13 24 24 27 24 17 34	81 34 7 21 13 2 7 5 3 2 10	45 19 8 12 7 14 14 14 19	45 19 5 12 7 3 5 6 2 4	18 1 5 2 2 2	9 3 3 4	9 1 3 2 3 1 3	2899 1607 500 97 85 90 72 123 87 120 300	7774 3491 1094 1620 1178 1073 1897 1230 1023 1109 1481
12 13 14 15 16 17		6 6 4 9 3 13	70 80 40 106	16 30 20 50 16 40	21 17 21 24 13 34	3 8 4 5 4 11	12 9 12 7 20	2 3 3 8 5	8	2	2	66 75 100 90 75 110	781 875 1054 1176 702 2626
18 19 20	10	4	51	20 10 7	16 13 498	3 3	8 7	2 1	38	31	27	75 54 6718	685 405 32064

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.	Preach Salar		Trav.	Exp's.	rent rent e of nage.	Presid Elde	
J. H. Boyd, Presiding Elder.	Est'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	House rent p'd or rent value of parsonage.	Ass'd.	Paid.
Mt. Vernon & W. Washing'n—J.W. Duffey J. W. Beall.	1700 250	1700 250			700	230	230
2 Epworth and Mission—J. O. Knott	1200	1200				70	70
3 Marvin—W. F. Locke	1000	1000			366	90	90
4 Alexandria and Mis.—J. T. Williams	1200	1200			300	197	197
J. H. Wells	550	550					
5 Fredricksburg—J. P. Stump	1000	1000			250	110	110
6 Falls' Church—A. M. Cackley	900	900			150	88	88
Leesburg—E. V. Regester	700	700		3	3 200		80
S Loudoun—C. Sydenstricker	850	850	35	3	5 200	121	121
G. W. Bogle	250						
9 Hamilton—W. H. Woolf	600	600					66
Hillsboro—S. B. Dolly	650)		. 60		77
Middleburg—C. S. Stanton	650)		150		82
12 Sterling—A. Weller	500				00	02	OA
S. Grady	200	206			100	71	7
Fairfax—C. K. Millican	650	650					
Marshall—G. T. Tyler	700 150	748 50			-		
†G. D. Kidner	500	420			150	1	4
6 Occoquan—J. W. Grubb	720		5		5		1
Sudley—C. B. Sutton	525	510			15		
8 Manassas—D. L. Blakemore	500	46			S		4
19 Fauquier—J. C. Sedwick	525	49	-		0 10	0 55	
Stafford—A. R. Martin	450	33			5		
Morrisville—W. T. Gover	335				. 7.	5 38	3
Total	17255	1691	1 13	3 12	347	0 1800	177

Winchester District.	Preach Sala:		Trav.	Exp's.	rent rent le of nage.	Presidi Elde	ng r.
B. W. Bond, Presiding Elder.	Est'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	House rent p'dor rent value of parsonage.	Ass'd	Paid.
Winchester—S. K. Cox. Frederick—L. Fox. Stephens' City—J. C. Thrasher Middletown—J. R. Andrew. Strasburg—L. R. Markwood. Woodstock—H. H. Kennedy. Edenburg—H. M. Reed. Front Royal and Riverton—J. S. Engle. Warren—J. S. Porter. Linden—I. G. Michael. Page—T. J. Miller White Post—F. A.Gains Berryville—R. R. S. Hough Brucetown—O. C. Beall. Darksville—W. J. Hubbard. Martinsburg—S. G. Ferguson Berkeley—H. S. Coe. Charles Town—R. Smithson Jefferson—J. H. Woolf J. W. Kight. Shepherdstown—J. L. Kibler.	500 464 450 700 683 600 1000 550 900 500	1200 365 750 800 552 900 462 800 258 500 432 700 683 600 1000 550 900	20	20	250 96 100 100 80 150 100 150 50 75 60 100 100 100 50 300 75 250	125 53 78 73 62 94 52 84 47 73 62 62 104 62 94 52 10 78	125 41 78 73 55 94 48 84 44 45 73 62 62 104 62 94 52 10 73
Total	13672	13243	3 20	0 2	0 2280	*1650	1604

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	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Other Obj	Total from all Sources.
1	53	53	286	286	85	85	49	49	5			1925	6456
2 3 4	16 21 45	16 21 45	87 113 245	87 113 245	25 34 73	25 34 73	15 19 42	15 19 42	5 9	3 5 9	3 5 9	517 1267 1000	3512 4360 5201
5 6 7 8	25 20 18 28	25 20 18 28	136 109 95 150	136 109 95 150	41 32 28 45	41 32 28 45	24 19 17 26	24 19 17 26	7 9 	5 4 4 5	5 4 4 5	777 226 235 165	2935 2273 1785 2567
9 10 1 J 12	15 18 16 19	15 15 8 14	82 95 88 102	82 40 35 80	24 28 26 30	24 3 10 18	14 17 15 18	14 3 5 12	2 3	2 3 2 4	2 3	175 75 125 103	1523 1359 1301 1746
13 14	16 20	16 20	88 109	88 115	26 32	26 33	15 19	15 20	10	3 4	3 5	125 160	1710 2129
15 16 17 18 19 20 21	15 13 10 13 11	10 10 12 5 6 5 3	82 68 55 68 61	43 50 38 22 32 7 5	21 24 17 16 21 18 14	12 14 5 4 10 2 3	13 14 13 9 13 11 9	7 8 7 2 5 3 3	2 4 1 	2 3 2 1 2 2 2	2 1 1 1 1 2	191 175 100 30 65 50 60	1213 1241 1534 1220 1547 782 643
	414	365	2235	1857	660	527	401	295	74	67	59	6546	45806

	Bish	ops.	Confe		Chu Ext		Edu		Am.B. Soc'y.	P. & Insti	tute	her Objects.	sources.
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Other Obj	Total from all Sources
	27	20	144	100	47	30	25	15	5	5		340	5411
	12	8	60	13	20	5	10	4		2	1	50	1266
	18	14	90	55	30	10	15	5	10	3		258	2021
	16	16	84	84	27	27	14	14	1	3	3	138	4692
	13	9	72	62	23	8	12	5		3		30	370
	20	20	108	108	35	35	19	19		4	4	200	2145
	11	7	59	32	20	10	11	5	2	2	2	40	833
	18	18	96	96	32	32	17	17	10	3		145	1978
	9	3	54	18	18	5	10	3	2	2	1	60	590
	8	8	50	25	16	5	9	4	1	2		55	1454
	8	6	49	8	16	5	10	1	1	2		43	1192
J	10	6	54	25	18	9	10	6	7	2	2	50	1031
ı	16	14	84	65	27	18	14	9	5	3	3	63	1945
l	14	14	72	43	22	12	12	6	2	4	2	75	1526
	13	10	72	55	23	13	12	10	2	3	3	219	1917
	21	21	119	119	39	27	21	17	2 2 3 1	4		406	3312
l	13	7	72	36	23	12	12	6	3	3	1	175	1161
١	20	20	108	111	35	35	19	19	อ	4 2	4	220	2081
	11	7	59	38	20	6	11	5		2	2	60	1337
	18	18	90	68	30	14	15	10	6	3		175	1675
1	296	246	1596	1161	521	318	278	180	61	59	28	2752	*39523

^{*\$1,312} for district property.

ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.	Preacl Salar		Trav.	Exp's.	re e	Presid Eld	
J. E. Armstrong, Presiding Elder.	Est'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	House rer p'd or re v a l u e parsonag	Ass'd.	Paid.
Staunton—F. J. Prettyman. East End & Plunkettsville—C. A. Brown. Harrisonburg—W. H. D. Harper. Bridgewater—W. L. Dolly. Mt. Crawford—C. D. Harris. Parnassus—J. J. Ringer West Augusta—J. W. Canter Augusta—W. J. Whitesell. B. V. Switzer. Waynesboro—G. D. White New Hope—J. K. Gilbert. Rockingham—R. L. Fultz East Rockingham—L. Butt Elkton—W. B. Dorsey Port Republic—J. H. Smith. Shenandoah—H. H. Sherman Luray—L. R. Jones. New Market—R. M. Wheeler Mt. Jackson—T. Briley. Marksville—T. Cooper. Fairfield—W. H. Marsh Rockbridge Baths—A. C. McNeer. Bell's Valley—A. L. Harnsberger.	1500 400 1200 625 600 500 300 500 185 700 450 450 450 427 500 375 300 300 500	416 1200 625 600 456 212 460 167 608 423 400 490 450 400 500 310	25 5 6 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 8 8 9 9	25	150 75 50 40 36 75 100 40 100 60 36 40 100 120 60 75 40 60 75	52 58 59 44 35 35 58 22	27 20 50 24
Total	11937		-	25		*1640	

*\$240 for house rent for Presiding Elder. †200 paid Rev. P. H. Whisner.

D. Bush, Presiding Elder. Second Second	ROANOKE DISTRICT.	Preac Sala		Trav.	Exp's	= e =	Presid	ding er.
## Greene Memorial—T. E. Carson. 1500 1500 360 160 160 160 37 17 17 17 17 17 17 17	D. Bush, Presiding Elder.	Est'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	House p,d o v al u parso	Est'd.	Paid.
	Greene Memorial—T. E. Carson. Trinity—J. C. Jones St. James—H. I. Stevens. Grace—James M. Green. Roanoke Circuit—W. W. Watts. Vinton—G. T. D. Collins. Bethany—W. O. Ross. Belmont—H. Q. Burr. Buchanan—J. L. Henderson,. Fincastle—F. A. Strother. Glen Wilton—W. G. Hammond Eagle Rock—A. Q. Flaherty. Buena Vista—H. P. Hamill Rockbridge—W. O. Tolbert. Lexington—J. T. Wightman Collierstown—A. P. Boude. Elliston—H. C. Myerly Christiansburg—W. D. Keene. Blacksburg—J. H. Davidson. Newport—G. O. Homan	1500 900 950 800 415 600 400 300 600 700 320 600 400 400 400 550 550	1500 900 950 800 306 600 280 337 523 700 444 214 600 400 900 261 390 600 555	36	40	360 150 28 60 30 100 125 48 100 100 240 50 60 125 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 10	1600 800 800 655 455 500 655 700 400 900 900 955 750 750	160 80 80 65 30 65 31 30 57 70 44 70 40 90 23 44 70 65 57
		245			1			

^{*\$250} for house rent for Presiding Elder.

	Sish	ops.	Confe			urch ens'n	Edi	uca-	Am.B. Soc'y.			ner Objects.	from rces.
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Other	Total from all sources.
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	35 7 28 21 11 11 6 16	35 5 28 17 11 6 4 8	186 38 148 111 62 62 31 85	186 26 148 90 62, 36 8 42	56 1 45 34 19 19 9 25	56 8 45 23 19 8 4 15	33 6 26 19 11 11 6 15	33 4 26 14 11 3 4 8	4 1 5 4 7	7 6 4 3 2	7 1 6 2 3 1	500 50 450 200 605 75 25 95	3731 2397 3198 2339 1745 1457 411 1326
9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22	16 10 11 11 13 10 11 12 9 7 7 11 6 7	14 10 4 5 11 10 6 12 3 4 7 5 2	57 62 68	30 23 18 40 21 56 37 61 10 19 24 2	26 17 17 19 29 17 19 19 14 11 11 18 10	10 7 6 5 4 17 11 19 3 2 4 8 1 4	15 10 10 11 12 10 11 11 8 6 6 11 6	3 4 3 4 10 6 11 2 3 4 1	2 4 1 3 2 1 2 3 1 1	3223322322121	2 2 1 1 2 2 1 1 1 1	125 98 80 60 700 148 156 87 90 149 50 60 45 40	1325 751 1855 702 2088 1811 917 1047 584 818 567 977 380 402
	276	200	1484	950	447	279	260	160	48	50	34	3888	32300

	Bish	ops.	Confe Claim		Chu Exte		Edu	n.	Am.B. Soc'y	P. & Insti	L. tute	her Objects.	tal from sources.
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Other	Total from all sources.
123456789101121314 115161789221	24 35 19 15 17 9 14 10 9 14 17 9 6 14 9 21 9 14 13 14	24 35 19 15 17 4 14 6 6 10 10 6 3 8 3 21 2 5 7	126 192 101 101 93 47 77 56 50 77 91 43 34 77 50 113 49 48 77 70 77	126 192 101 93 13 55 25 32 25 36 12 40 17 113 55 38 70 20	36 55 29 28 27 13 22 16 14 22 26 12 10 22 14 32 14 14 22 20 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21	36 55 29 28 27 2 11 12 9 12 8 5 5 11 5 4 8 11 4 8	16 8 14 10 9 14 16 8 5 14 9 20 9 14 12 18	22 34 18 16 2 7 8 6 5 9 4 3 8 3 20 1 4 7 5 3	2 10 1 2 3 3 1	5 7 4 3 2 2 1 4 1 2 3 2 2	5 7 4 2 2 2 1 4 1 2 2	387 750 350 192 275 100 77 125 76 27 140 75 25 190 75 300 100 75 125 79 65	2249 5255 1997 8257 3564 687 1069 685 668 1231 2644 910 494 1780 1288 2637 543 813 1308 1151 770
22 23	11 6	3	57 35	20 18	16 16	7 2	10 3	4	3 . 2	1	1	50 45	704 375
	318	244	1751	1111	502	331	312	190	29	44	39	3703	40578

	LEWISBURG DISTRICT.	Preac Sala		Trav.	-	r i e	Presid Elde	
	J. D. MARTIN, Presiding Elder.	Est'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	House p'd or valu parson	Ass'd.	Paid.
3	Lewisburg—T. W. Brown Frankford—R. H. Wilson H. A. Murrill Blue Sulphur—C. Lynch.	700 500 170 460	631 450 153 440			150 100	105 110 55	91 99 52
5	Green Sulphur—G. H. Echols	$ \begin{array}{r} 225 \\ 1000 \\ 325 \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{r} 180 \\ 1000 \\ 238 \end{array} $			25 180 60	25 110 50	$ \begin{array}{c} 20 \\ 110 \\ 37 \end{array} $
7	Alderson—J. M. HawleyGreenville and Peterstown—W. L. Smith. G. W. Richardson	500 470 310	500 424 280	39	18	120 100	85	85 72
10	Union—O. F. Burgess	550 821	512 821	26	26		01/	79 95
111	L. Kincade Alvon—A. C. Hamill	50 250 520				48	1 ., 0	25 45
13	J. M. York	72 750 900				4.15		110 93
1 15	Millboro—H. D. Bishop Levelton—J. H. Dills	250 550	162 565			30	30 100	25 100
19	Huntersville—J. M. AndersonGreen Bank—J. M. EaveyGilletts—M. P. Weikle	300 425 305	278 199			60 25	30	7-
20	Hot Springs—H. Lawson	210 10613		65		1673	35 *1650	
1	Total	10013	9009	00	44	1673	1690	1530

^{*\$250} for house rent for Presiding Elder.

Moorefield District.	Preach Sala		Trav.	Exp's.	rent rent e of nage.	Presid	ling er.
B. F. Ball, Presiding Elder.	Est'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	House rent p'd or rent v alue of parsonage.	Ass'd.	Paid.
1 Moorefield—D. F. Eutsler 2 Petersburg—C. M. Sarver 3 Franklin—J. H. Schooley 4 Crab Bottom—J. W. McNeil 5 Keyser —J. H. Light 6 Cumberland—J. H. Kuhlman 7 Elk Garden—W. W. Newberry 8 Piedmont—W. H. Ballengee 9 Frostburg—D. W. Griffin 10 Flintstone—D. M. Brown 11 Romney—D. L. Reid R. L. Eutsler 12 Springfield—J. W. Mitchell 13 Slanesville—W. A. Sites 14 Hardy—C. H. Cannon 15 Morgan—C. E. Simmons 16 Gainesboro—N. N. Hall 17 Wardensville—C. L. Potter 18 Capon Bridge—H. M. Strickler 19 Listonburg—J. R. Jacobs 20 Monterey—T. G. Nevitt 21 McDowell—S. A. Parker	750 350 525 450 700 300 490 650 465 700 200 530 410 340 400 400 385 500 500		40 20	40 20	75 75 75 60	60 55 50 60 50 70 60 75	90 60 65 65 85 20 90 65 54 125 54 55 54 55 54 55 57 73 66
Total	10435	10064	173	159	1477	*1600	1555

^{*\$200} for house rent for Presiding Elder.

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	Bish	ops.	Confe Claim	rence ants.		arch ten.	Ed	uca- on.	Am.B. Soc'y.		& L. itute		rom	
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Other Ob	Total from all Sources	
. 2	19 20	19 10	106 111	60 47	26 27	10 11	19 19	9 7	2	4 4	1	175 64	1381 1182	
3 4 5 6 7 8	10 5 20 9 17 15	7 3 18 1 10 10	55 25 111 45 85 80	20 13 75 2 32 18	14 6 27 12 21 21	5 4 20 1 8 8	10 4 19 8 15 14	5 2 5 5	1 2 2 2	2 1 4 2 3 3	1 1 1	128 50 632 60 50 25	852 352 2833 808 1007 1697	
9	17 18	10 18	85 95	42 95	21 23	6 23	15 17	3 17	3	3 4	4	75 125	999 2035	
11	5 10	3 8	31 50	12 10	7 12	5 4	5 9	2 2	2	1 2		25 20	372 823	
13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20	20 19 5 19 9 11 5 7	15 14 3 8 4 5 2 4	111 106 31 100 50 60 31 35	100 55 16 50 20 15 6 24	25 26 7 25 13 15 7	20 8 4 12 5 3 2 6	19 19 5 18 9 11 5	15 6 3 8 4 2	4 1 5 1 3	4 1 4 2 2 1 1	1 1 1 1 1	84 100 25 75 40 25 35 25	1665 1603 358 1416 435 510 443 384	
	260	172	1403	612	344	165	246	104	29	52	13	1788	*21536	

^{*\$300} for house rent for Presiding Elder.

TABLE No. 2.

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

	Preac Sala		Trav.	Exp's.	rent or alue	Presi Eld	
DISTRICTS.	Est'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	House rent paid or rent value of parson- age.	Ass'd.	Paid.
1 Baltimore	16754	15506	27			1800	1732
2 East Baltimore	12730	11500				1700	1536
3 Washington	17255	16911	133			1800	1777
4 Winchester	13672					1650	
5 Rockingham	11937	11039			1542	1640	1541
6 Roanoke	13935	13148			1986	1725	1630
7 Lewisburg	10613					1650	
S Moorefield	10435	10064	173	159	1477	1600	1555
Total this year	107331	101070	641			13565	12905
Total last year	107302	102473	558	433	18458	13585	12947
Increase	29	1403		57	887	20	42

TABLE No. 2.

RECAPITULATION DY DISTRICTS.

	Bishops. Confer Claim				rch ens'n	Edu		Am.B. Soc'y.	P. & L. Inst.		cts.	sal from Sources.	
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Other Objects.	Total f
12345678	396 295 414 296 276 318 260 239	349 206 365 246 200 244 172 189	2135 1586 2235 1596 1484 1751 1403 1290	1829 871 1857 1151 950 1111 612 745	628 498 660 521 447 502 344 395	527 318 279 331 165	331 264 401 278 260 312 246 235	160 190	48 29 29	70 31 67 59 50 44 52 35	39 13	5592 6718 6546 2752 3888 3703 1788 2332	45728 32064 45806 39523 32300 40578 21536 43569
	2494 2500		13480 13000	9126 9103	3995 4000	2404	2360		475		278 275	31319 28234	277089 298958
	6	6	480	23	5	63	33	34	116	92	3	3085	21869

TABLE No. 3—EPWORTH LEAGUES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS. BALTIMORE DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	No. of Epworth Leagues.	No. of Epworth L. Members.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Amt. Collected for Sunday Schools.	Amt. Collected for Missions.	Amt. Collected on Children's Day.	Amt. Collected for Other Ob- jects.	Total Amount Raised.
Central and Caernaryon	2	106	2	31	323	45	267	8	108	428
St. Paul's and Wilkins Ave	4	242	2	47	480	398	499		60	957
Emmanuel			1	24	260	129	300	4	64	497
Frederick Ave			1	8	125	20	25		20	65
Arlington and Sudbrook	2	116	2	43	375	217	249	22	175	663
Reisterstown	1	40	3	20	150	50	70	3		123
Freedom	3	75	9	96	463	51	11	17		79
Linganore	2	60	6	69	432	103	133		112	348
Frederick City	1	49	1	14	85	20	31	3		54
Brunswick			1	12	200	40	20			60
Rockville	5	250	4	40	300	95	60	12		167
Gaithersburg	1	30	3	30	270	65	35	6	28	134
Montgomery	2	23	9	91	462	98	49	18	52	217
Beltsville	2	70	2	17	126	41	9	8	43	101
Hyattsville	2	90	4	30	180	35	30	3	40	108
Emory			1	17	165	65	36	3	4	108
Wesley Grove			4	34	251	72	130	12		214
Laurel	1	58	3	56	432	138				138
Patuxent	4	115	4	31	145	25	90		50	165
Forest Grove		• •	3	15	125	10	10	8	10	38
Total	32	1324	65	725	5,349	1,717	2,054	127	766	4,664

EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.

Trinity	1	98	1	26	375	180	552			732
Calvary	2	140	1	21	163	85	206			291
North Baltimore	1	38	1	9	65	27	64			91
Taylor's	1	18	4		150	56	56	17		129
West Harford			2	28	93	45	85	10	10	150
East Harford	2	60	2	28	175	35	30	5		70
Kent	1	20	2	14	100	23	15	7		45
Queen Anne's	1	25	4	43	250	78	87	4	12	181
Church Hill	2	35	4	23	179	50	25			75
Hillsboro'			2	10	65	10	23		500	533
Easton and Caroline	1	30	3	25	190	40	28			68
Trappe	1	38	2	19	116	20	2	4		26
Royal Oak			4	45	281	35	21	5		61
Severn	1	20	3	24	105	14	7	10	13	44
Chesapeake	1	52	3	31	201	51	90	8		149
West River	1	26	2	11	90	15	10	6		31
Calvert	1	60	6	56	375	78	47		89	214
Prince George's	1	20	5	20	140	18	9	`		27
Charles	2	60	4	35	159	30	16	2	18	66
St. Mary's	• •		3	16	70				15	15
Total	20	740	58	512	3,342	890	1,373	78	657	2,998

TABLE No 3-EPWORTH LEAGUES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

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Name of Charge.	No. of Epworth Leagues.	No. of Epworth L. Members.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Am'nt Collected for S. Schools.	Am'nt Collected for Missions.	Am'nt Collected on Children's Day.	Am'nt Collected for Other Objects.	Total Amonut Raised.
Mt. Vernon and W. Wash Epworth and Mission Marvin Alexandria and Mission Fredericksburg Falls Church. Leesburg Loudoun Hamilton Hillsboro. Middleburg Sterling Fairfax Marshall Warrenton Occoquan Sudley and Manassas Fauquier. Stafford Morrisville	1 2 1 3 1 3 4 1 1 2 2 2	27 171 220 80 138 25 85 125 30 75 120 41 80 60 52 35	3 6 3 9 8 8 1 6 8 4 5 5 —	50 36 20 61 33 27 20 60 36 73 16 80 58 67 14 50 63 32 52 45	449 372 191 500 258 157 150 400 230 350 120 447 405 351 87 280 354 228 322 301	250 140 106 269 8 48 46 120 75 54 35 56 200 55 51 80 77 18 68 47	459 130 208 448 145 164 174 40 80 10 30 70 15 43 40 25 17 11	3 5 8 8 12 7 7 7 10 3 12 2	187 112 55 30 20 49 45 440 4 3 5	709 270 504 722 273 212 280 172 192 91 35 145 318 82 96 124 149 42 85 58
Total	28 W	1364 INCH			5952 Distri	1803	2109	93	554	4559
	1	1					1	1		
Winchester Frederick. Stephens' City Middletown. Strasburg Woodstock Edinburg. Front Royal and Riverton Warren. Linden Page. White Post Berryville Brucetown Darksville Martinsburg Berkeley. Charles Town Jefferson. Shepherdstown	1 1 1 2 1 1 3 1	76 42 176 76 33 76 121 28 37 21 40 169 105 60 172 42 186	5 1 2 2 6	50	409 194 425 346 290 157 350 285 254 265 566 225 271 428 438 293 210 282 340 438	48 100 118 70 48 95 34 23 54 50 63 140 114 347 39 68	135 2 53 213 77 197 50 37 2 25 120 83 28 219 126 15 72	8 5 4	135 23 50	315 53 213 386 167 255 98 147 35 25 81 183 366 170 620 46 200 65
Total	-	1460	-		6466	1532	-	-		289
LUUAI	21	1400	04	000	0400	1002	1456	88	719	3795

TABLE No. 3.—EPWORTH LEAGUES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.

Name of Charge.	No. of Epworth Leagues.	No. of Epworth L. Members.	o. of Se	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Am'nt Collected for S. Schools	Am'nt Collected for Missions.	Am'nt Collected on Children's Day.	Am'nt Collected for Other Objects.	Total Amount Raised.
Staunton	2	214	2	63	525	267	230	6	29	532
East End & Plunkettsville.	1	28	2	20	180	57	38	4		99
Harrisonburg	2	106	1	29	275	180	272	5	243	700
Bridgewater	2	37	7	101	557	137	83		6	226
Mt. Crawford	2	102	3	38	354	75	83	7		165
Parnassus			4	50	275	75	15	1	• • • •	91
West Augusta	1		4	25	150	25	2	3		30
Augusta	3	125		60	525	60	28	7	10	105
Waynesboro	3	148		27	203	103	46	3		152
New Hope	1	36	1 -	23	166	45	20		6	71
Rockingham	1	40		34	265	40	15		1	56
East Rockingham	2	100		18	190	18	10	4		32
Elkton			2	8	170	40	28	4	40	72
Port Republic		125			350	53	102		46	201
Shenandoah			3	25	240	40	15	3		58
Luray	1	36	2	24	121	28	30		8	66
New Market & Mt. Jackson.		20			268	66	27	2		95
Marksville	. 2	65		16	122	30	66	2		98
Fairfield	2	60			316	44	15	8	58	125
Rockb'ge Baths & Bell's V.	1	20	3	26	197	11	5	8	8	32
Total	. 29	1262	66	719	5,449	1,394	1130	67	415	3,006

ROANOKE DISTRICT.

Salem	1	116	3	44	496	194	110	6	17	327
Greene Memorial	. 1	85	2	44	420	110	215		175	500
Trinity	1	77	1	25	119	60	101	15	55	231
St. James	1	30	1	27	400	97			230	327
Grace	1	109	1	22	250	35	88	4	6,	192
Roanoke Circuit			4	22	187	36	5	6	5	52
Vinton	1	40	1	26	200	18	50	4	11.	83
Bethany and Belmont	1	106	3	95	187	52	40	2	31	125
Buchanan			5	53	278	22				22
Fincastle	1	40	5	48	376	36	56	11	32	135
Glen Wilton & Eagle Rock.			7	69	506	129	17			146
Buena Vista & Rockbridge		85	4	40	320	85	26		53	164
Lexington			1	24	144	58	208		66	332
Collierstown			4	23	165	19				19
Elliston	2	50	4	30	250	45	2		· 45	92
Christiansburg			3	29	155	80	50		67	197
Blacksburg		30	3	33	247	57	66	6	7	136
Newport			3	16	175	25	15			40
New Castle			1	14	125	20	23			43
Catawba			4	24	168	5			2	7
Total	14	.768	60	708	5,168	11,83	1,072	54	861	3,170

TABLE No. 3—EPWORTH LEAGUES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	No. of Epworth Leagues.	No. of Epworth L. Members.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Am'nt Collected for S. Schools.	Am'nt Collected for Missions.	Am'nt Collected on Children's Day.	Am'nt Collected for Other Ob- jects.	Total Amount Raised.
Lewisburg Frankford Blue Sulphur Green Sulphur Hinton Talcott Alderson Greenville and Peterstown Union Ronceverte and W. Sulph'r Alvon Alleghany *Covington Clifton Forge Millboro Levelton Huntersville Greenbank Gilletts	3	53 124 62	3 6 4 1 1 4 3 7 4 5 3 6 2 1 2 5 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	31 44 25	180 320 200 72 150 230 130 404 230 250 125 275 236 150 335 310 166	31 32 20 3 91 40 42 39 40 103 10 25 50 31 40 10 31 13	5 59 1 24 88 5 168 4 100 120 106 5 29	18 3 4 3 2 2 1 5	12 39 55 5	144 50 40 3 150 41 70 169 100 271 21 25 150 186 3 151 10 36 42
Hot Springs	11	406	73	$\frac{6}{524}$	50 4018	652	828	43	148	9 1671

^{*}Taken from Minutes of preceding year.

MOOREFIELD DISTRICT.

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Moorefield	2	61	4	30	207	71	41	5		117
Petersburg		37	4	30	175	30	5	2	60	97
17.			4	38	209	39	7	6		52
Crab Bottom			3	25	200	15				15
Keyser and Cumberland	1	91	3	47	449	129	70		108	307
Elk Garden			3	22	200	46	10		5	61
Piedmont		113	1	15	125	63	83	7	40	193
Frostburg			2	28	225	56	31	3	38	128
Flintstone			5	32	161	47	15	2	38	102
Romney		75	12	93	526	104	32	2.	14	152
Springfield	. 2	50	8	70	430	53	55			108
Slanesville	1		7	45	250	26		6	20	52
Hardy	. 3	123	9	75	390	27	6	1	46	80
Morgan			6	36	350	16				16
Gainsboro	. 1	25		34	307	35	5	2	31	73
Wardensville	. 2	108	6	50	300	52				52
Capon Bridge	. 2	77	6	43	273	56	4	2		62
Listonburg	. 2	60	6	48	250	35	9		13	57
Monterey	. 4	154	6	46	352	119	19			138
McDowell			8	84	521	70	83	9	128	290
Total	. 25	979	107	891	5900	1089	475	47	541	2152

RECAPITULATION TABLE No. 3—EPWORTH LEAGUES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

D	No. of Epworth Leagues.	No. of Epworth League Members.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Am't Collected for Sunday Schools.	Am't Collected for Missions.	Am't Collected on Children's Day.	Am't Collected for Other Objects.	Total Amount Raised.
Baltimore East Baltimore Washington Winchester Rockingham Roanoke Lewisburg Moorefield	14	1324 740 1364 1460 1262 768 406 979	65 58 84 84 66 60 73 107	725 512 893 868 719 708 524 891	5349 3342 5952 6466 5449 5168 4018 5900	1717 890 1803 1532 1394 1183 652 1089	2054 1373 2109 1456 1130 1072 828 475	127 78 93 88 67 54 43 47	766 657 554 719 415 861 148 541	4664 2998 4559 3795 3006 3170 1671 2152
Total Total last year	186 186	8303 8324	597 593	5840 5748	41644 42161	10260 11242	10497 10736	597 758	4661 3994	26015 26735
Increase Decrease		21	4	92	517	982	239	162	667	720



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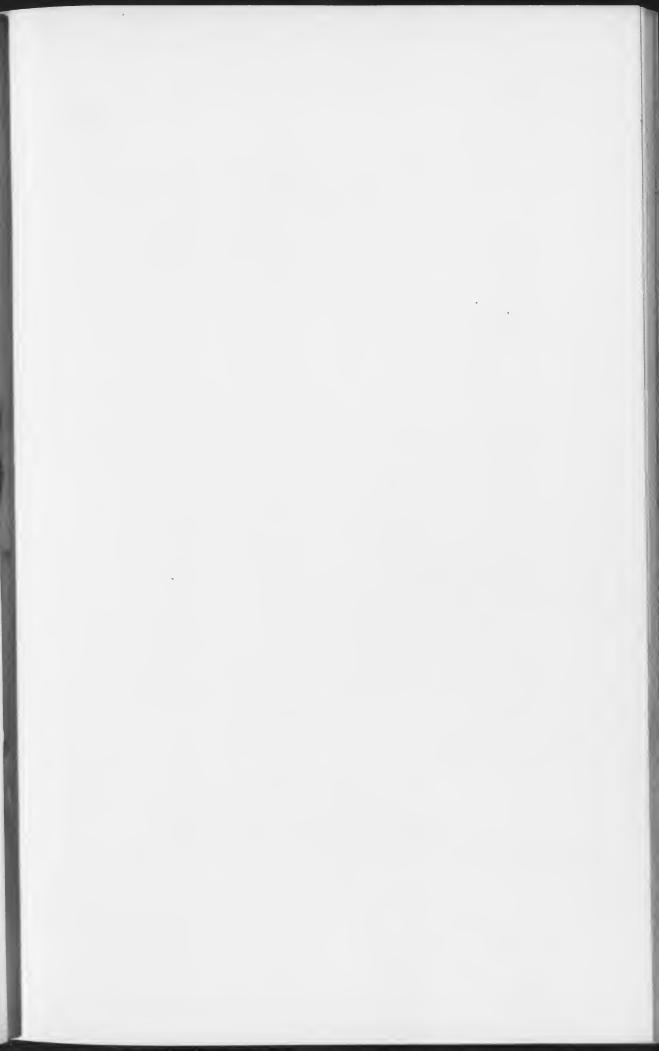
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OF THE

ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT CONFERENCE,

HELD AT

MT. SIDNEY, VA.,

August 7=9, 1899,

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OF THE

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Aug. 23, 1881,	Bridgewater,	David Bush,	do
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Sept. 4, 1883,	Luray,	A. Weller,	J. C. Dice.
Sept. 2, 1884,	New Market,	R. M. Williams,	do
Sept. 2, 1885,	Greenville,	G. T. D. Collins,	do
Sept. 1, 1886,	Parnassus,	R. S. Cunningham,	do
Sept. 3, 1887,	Mt. Jackson,	J. S. Hopkins,	J. H. Waugh, D. D.
Sept. 4, 1888,	Waynesboro,	J. F. Baggs,	do
Sept. 3, 1889,	Broadway,	H. D. Bishop,	do
Sept. 2, 1890,	Monterey,	R. S. Cunningham,	do
Sept. 1, 1891,	New Hope,	Thos. Briley,	J. S. Gardner, D. D.
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Aug. 14, 1894,	Mt. Crawford,	L. R. Jones,	do
Aug. 27, 1895,	Luray,	T. W. Brown,	P. H. Whisner, D.D.
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Aug. 3, 1897,	New Market,	R. M. Wheeler,	do
Aug. 2, 1898,	Bridgewater,	W. L. Dolly,	Jas. E. Armstrong,
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REV. JAMES S. GARDNER, D. D., Presiding Elder Rockingham District, M. E. Church, South, from March, 1891, to March, 1895.



Proceedings of the Conference.

The District Conference of the Rockingham District Baltimore Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, met in its 32nd session at Mt. Sidney, Va., August 7th, 1899, at 3 o'clock P. M.

Rev. Jas. E. Armstrong, P. E., in the chair, conducting the religious services.

The Secretary of last year called the roll and 26 members responded.

The name of Lacy A. Campbell was substituted for Cavot Connor, Rockbridge Baths.

Name of L. C. Young was added to list of delegates from Bridgewater Circuit, and name of J. M. Kline was sudstituted for that of W. J. Arey.

Election of Secretary was entered upon and name of Rev. J. Harry Smith was placed before Conference and elected.

The various Committees were then read and approved by Conference, viz:

License to Preach—Rev. F. J. Prettyman, Rev. H. S. Coe, Rev. W. H. Marsh.

Admission on Trial into Annual Conference—Rev. J. R. Andrew, Rev. W. L. Dolly, Rev. R. L. Fultz.

For Orders—Rev. L. R. Jones, Rev. J. C. Hawk, Rev. J. L. Henderson.

On Spiritual State of the Church—Rev. J. R. Andrew, Rev. H. S. Hook, D. H. L. Martz.

On Missions—Rev. H. S. Coe, I. W. Kagey, J. S. Richey. On Sunday Schools—Rev. J. C. Hawk, Jno. F. Wagner, A. Lee Knowles.

On Education-Rev. L. R. Jones, E. S. Conrad,

On Bible Cause—Rev. J. W. Canter, Albert Coffman.

On Finance—Rev. W. L. Dolly, J. P. Houck, A. Lee Knowles.

On Quarterly Conference Records—Rev. T. Cooper, H. G. Barnhart, A. Lee Knowles.

On Epworth Leagues—Rev. F. J. Prettyman.

Hours of meeting were fixed as follows: Beginning at 9 A. M., followed by preaching at 11. Afternoon session at 2:30; to adjourn on motion.

Bar of Conference was fixed at 4th seat from chancel.

Report of Committee on Publication of Minutes of 1898, was submitted, read by Ed. S. Conrad. Rev. W. S. Dolly moved that report be accepted, which was carried.

Moved by Jno. S. Richey that the same Committee be continued; seconded by Rev. J. W. Canter. After discussion, the reading of the action of last District Conference was called for by Ed. S. Conrad. The following substitute was then offered by Rev. A. R. Martin: That action of last Conference be re-enacted; seconded by Rev. W. L. Dolly. The substitutes prevailed and the chair appointed following Committee: H. G. Barnhart, Ed. S. Conrad, Rev. J. R. Andrew.

Name of Rev. W. H. Marsh was substituted for Rev. H. H. Sherman on Committee for License to Preach.

Motion to adjourn was offered by Brother Cooper and seconded by Rev. W. H. Marsh. Carried.

Adjourned with benediction by Rev. R. M. Wheeler. Preaching at night by Rev. P. W. Jeffries, from Ez. 37:10.

TUESDAY-Morning Session.

The Conference opened at 9 o'clock, A. M., with the Presiding Elder in the chair. The religious services were conducted by Rev. L. R. Jones.

The roll was then called and 45 members responded.

The name of Rev. J. P. Hupman was added to clerical roll of Staunton charge.

The name of J. W. Campbell was substituted for that of E. B. Lipscomb, of Staunton.

Name of Rev. J. L. Henderson was substituted for Rev. W. J. Whitesell, on Committee of Examination for Orders.

It was moved by Rev. H. S. Coe to dispense with calling of roll—delegates to report their names to the Secretary. Carried.

It was moved that A. Lee Knowles be placed on the Finance Committee, in place of E. B. Lipscomb.

The Committee on Education submitted its report which was read and adopted.

Dr. W. W. Smith, Chancellor of Randolph Macon System of Academies and Colleges, was introduced to the Conference, and at the request of the Presiding Elder, gave the Conference some information regarding the work and duties of the local educational board. Dr. Smith also gave the Conference an excellent address on Education, and emphaszed the importance and necessity of parents sending their boys to our Church Schools.

Prof. C. L. Melton was then introduced to the Conference and made some remarks regarding Randolph Macon Academy at Front Royal, stating that the prospects of the Academy for the coming school-year are bright.

On motion the name of John H. Wagner was substituted for that of W. H. G. Bowers on Committee on Sunday School.

Report on Education was re-read and adopted.

Report of the Committee on Spiritual State of the Church was submitted and read, and on motion it was adopted.

Report of Committee on Missions was submitted and read, and on motion was adopted.

Report of Committee on Finance was submitted and read, and on motion was adopted.

Report of Committee on Bible Cause was submitted and read; after some remarks by the Presiding Elder, the report was adopted.

The Conference session closed without form for religious services—Preaching of the Word and Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Sermon preached by Rev. H. S. Coe, from text John 14:12.

TUESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference convened at 2:30 P. M. Presiding Elder in the Chair. Religious services conducted by Rev. J. W. Jollett.

Committee on Examination for License to Preach, reported favorable on name of John F. Kline. Owing to fact that many of the delegates were absent at time—action was deferred.

Moved by Rev. W. H. Marsh, that a committee be appointed by the Chair to respond to the message sent to District Conference by Rev. Dr. Waugh. Motion prevailed, and F. J. Prettyman, H. G. Bainhart and I. B. Kagey, were appointed a committee.

Moved by H. G. Barnhart, that the hour immediately after opening, Wednesday afternoon, be made the order of the day for election of delegates to Annual Conference. Motion was seconded and carried.

Application of John F. Kline for license to preach, was taken up and the chairman of the committee reported his case as a clear one. Rev. W. L. Dolly, his pastor, spoke in very high terms of Bro. Kline, and heartily recommended that license be granted him. A. Coffman spoke in high terms of Bro. Kline. I. B. Kagey also gave him the highest recommendation. 41 votes were cast, all of which were favorable to the granting of license. It was unanimous.

Moved by I. B. Kagey, that 10 o'clock Wednesday be fixed for deciding place for holding District Conference next year—recommended by Charles Fitch—carried.

Moved by Ed. S. Conrad, that the roll be called to ascertain a number of charges that would respond to the amount of at least one dollar for printing of Conference minutes; seconded and carried. Roll called and following responded:

Staunton, \$2.00; East End and Marquis Memorial, \$1.00; Harrisonburg, \$2.00; Bridgewater, \$2.00; Mt. Crawford, \$1.00; I. B. Kagey, \$1.00; Parnassus, \$100; West Augusta, \$1.00; Augusta, \$1.00; Waynesboro, \$2.00; New Hope, \$1.50; Rockingham, \$1.00; East Rockingham, \$1.00; Elkton, \$1,00; Port Republic, \$1.00; Shenandoah, \$1.00; Luray, 50 cents; New Market, \$1.00; Fairfield, \$1.00; Rockbridge Baths, \$1.00, Marksville, \$1.00. Total, \$25.00.

Moved that all advertisements, which in the godly judgment of the committee are correct, be admitted to minutes.

Name of Rev. W. H. Marsh added to Committee on Sunday Schools.

Motion to adjourn was made and prevailed.

Adjourned with benediction by Presiding Elder.

WEDNESDAY-Morning Session.

The Conference met for business at 9 o'clock, A. M. Presiding Elder in the Chair. Religious services were conducted by Samuel Switzer.

On motion Secretary called the roll, and 56 members answered to their names.

Minutes of last session read and approved.

Name of John C. Scott was substituted for Wm. W. Tutwiler, of New Hope.

Dr. W. W. Smith delivered his address on the 20th Century Movement, to a large and attentive congregation, at 8 o'clock, Tuesday night

Report of Special Committee on 20th Century Movement was submitted and read, and on motion adopted.

Report of Committee on Epworth Leagues was submitted and read and on motion adopted.

Report of Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was submitted and read and on motion was accepted.

Mrs. Thos. Cooper, District Secretary for the Home Missionary Society, read her report to the Conference, also made some remarks about her work; work is encouraging.

Resolution of sympathy for Dr. Waugh was offered by the Committee which had been appointed by the Chair. It was read and unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

RESOLVED.—That we hereby express our sorrow that, on account of the infirmities of old age, our beloved brother Rev. J. H. Waugh, D. D., has not been able to attend this session of our District Conference. We remember his presence at the last session with great pleasure, which proved a blessing to us by reason of his godly counsel, and Christion social intercourse. We desire to acknowledge our sense of gratitude to our Heavenly Father for sparing his life to us; and pray that he may yet linger awhile in this border land of the glory world as a benediction to those of us who have come into the inheritance of his labor and character.

Resolved 2nd,—That a copy of these resolutions be sent to Bro. Waugh in response to the greeting he has sent the members of this District Conference. And that the same be spread upon the minutes of the Conference.

F. J. PRETTYMAN, H. G. BARNHART, I. B. KAGEY. Rev. F. J. Prettyman, one of the Editors of the Baltimore Christian Advocate, represented the interest of the paper, and urged the hearty co-operation of preachers and laymen; also requested the brethren to write letters for the paper.

The following was offered in appreciation of the Baltimore Christian Advocate, and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we desire to express our appreciaion of the excellency of the Baltimore Christian Advocate under the present editorship. We urge upon our members the importance of having a church paper in each home, and recommend the Baltimore Christian Advocate as the proper paper

Order of the day having arrived—motions were in order, for selection of place of meeting for District Conference next year. Marksville was put in nomination by Herbert Koontz, and was unanimously selected.

Committee of Admission on Trial to Annual Conference, reported favorably on case of Ed. W. Brubaker. He was represented by Revs. Thos. Cooper, J. Harry Smith and J. P. Hupman. Revs. A. R. Martin and W. H. Marsh were appointed tellers. Number of votes cast 42, and all in affirmamative. Recommended to Annual Conference.

Rev. J. N. Vandeventer, pastor of "Old Stone" (Presbyterian) Church, was introduced to the Conference

Committee on Orders reported favorably on case of Ed. W. Brubaker. Number of ballots cast 42, and unanimous. Same Committee reported favorably on case of Rev. H. S. Hook. Number of ballots cast 41—unanimous.

Rev, Mr. Myers, of United Brethren Church, was introduced to the Conference.

Committee on Sunday Schools submitted their report—it was read, and on motion, was adopted.

The Presiding Elder addressed the Conference on the various reports that had been submitted to the Conference.

Collection taken for sexton, \$6 83.

Conference adjourned, without form, to engage in Religious service. Rev. R. L. Fultz preached from text found in Heb. 6:19.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference opened the session at 2:30 P. M. with the Presiding Elder in the Chair.

Religious exercises conducted by Presiding Elder, and prayer by Rev. J. W. Canter.

Minutes of preceding session were read and approved.

Election of Delegates to Annual Conference was entered upon.

Moved and seconded, that the delegates and alternates be elected on same ballot. John S. Richey and Ed. S. Conrad were appointed tellers.

Following were elected:

Delegates—D. H. Lee Martz, Herbert L. Koontz, E. B. Lipscomb, John S. Richey. Alternates—S. C. Switzer, C. W. Fitch, W. J. Brower, H. G. Barnhart.

The licenses of the following local preachers, were on motion, renewed.

F. F. Whitmore, C. H. Fielding, H. S. Hook, E. W. Brubaker, J. P. Hupman.

Report of Committee on Quarterly Conference Records was submitted and read, and on motion adopted.

Resolution of thanks was offered and read, and on motion it was adopted by rising vote:

Resolved, That the few words embodied in this resolution but very feebly express our gratitude, to the kind people and friends of Mt. Sidney for the hospitable entertainment, which we have enjoyed, during the session of this District Conference, and we will ever remember our few days sojourn at Mt. Sidney with much pleasure.

J. P. HOUCK,
J. R. ANDREW,
I. B. KAGEY,
H. S. HOOK,
W. L. DOLLEY,
R. M. WHEELER,
F. J. PRETTYMAN.

Moved by E. L. Conrad, that we do now adjourn—seconded and carried.

Adjourned with Doxology and Benediction.

J. HARRY SMITH, Secretary.



On Publishing Minutes.

Your Committee on publishing Minutes of Rockingham District Conference and District Epworth League Conference, for the year 1898, desire to make the following report:

For each Dollar received we sent thirty-three (33) copies of the minutes.

EXPENDITURES.

To 1,500 copies of Minutes of 71 pages, @ \$1.15	\$81	65
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The following charges did not subscribe for any copies of the Minutes, viz.: Bell's Valley, Elkton and Mt. Jackson.

Respectfully submitted,

C. D. HARRIS, ED. S. CONRAD, H. G. BARNHART.

On Education.

Reports have been received from all the charges in the District except Elkton.

From these reports, it is learned that all of the charges, except Mt. Jackson, Shenandoah and Mt. Crawford, have Local Boards, but only one, Marksville, reports that any work is being done by the Boards. Augusta does not report whether they have a Board or not.

The following report students at our Institutions:

Bridgewater—2 at Front Royal Academy.

West Augusta—1 at Front Royal Academy and 1 at Randolph Macon College.

East Rockingham—1 at Randolph Macon College.

Rockingham—1 at Front Royal Academy.

Luray—3 at Front Royal Academy.

Marksville—1 at Randolph Macon College.

Augusta—2 at Front Royal Academy and 1 at Randolph Macon College.

Parnassus—Number not given; the report says "3 or 4 families patronize Front Royal Academy."

This is a slight increase over last year.

The usual reason given for lack of students attending

our schools, is local schools, or financial considerations, and occasionally a lack of interest or appreciation of the merits of the schools and obligation on the part of the parents to their children.

We believe that a great improvement can be made in this department of our work, if the Local Boards, and the pastors, will be more zealous and systematic in their work in this direction.

We insist that there are no better schools than those in the Randolph Macon System, and few as good, and it is the duty of our people to patronize them so far as they may be able to do so.

In a great progressive church like ours, we cannot afford to disregard so important a matter.

We recommend the "Old Fort Seminary", a female school at Fort Defiance, conducted by Mrs. Nina R. Beard, as worthy the patronage of our people.

We recommend that the Local Boards apply to Rev. H. P. Hamill, at Lexington, Va., Secretary of the Conference Board, for a copy of the plan adopted by the Conference, defining their duities.

L. R. JONES, ED. S. CONRAD.

On Spiritual State of the Church.

The committee on the Spiritual State of the Church, respectfully submits the following report, giving a brief abstract from the reports of the various charges in the district, so far as received by us:

Staunton—The spiritual condition good. The members, as a rule, loyal to the church, and faithful as to their attendance upon the Word. Prayer meeting fairly well, and the Lord's Supper largely attended. Official members active in supporting the Pastor in his work.

East End and Marquis Memorial—Spiritual condition good. Attendance at all the means of grace encouraging. The interest manifested by old and young is marked.

West Augusta—Spiritual condition fair. Prayer and Class

meetings kept up at some places. Attendance upon the social meetings good.

Waynesboro—The weekly prayer meeting fairly well attended. Some members devoted to Christ and the Church. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper used by those present at its administration.

New Hope—Spiritual condition good. Attendance upon preached word excellent. One prayer meeting held weekly, and is well sustained. The Communion is generally participated in. Infant baptism much neglected.

Parnassus—Spiritual condition good. People loyal and faithful. Attendance never better on all the means of grace. Family prayer in many families.

Fairfield — Spiritual condition only fair. Attendance upon the ordinances is good. No prayer meetings, except in connection with the Epworth League, at two appointments.

Rockbridge Baths—The spiritual state of the church shows some signs of improvement. Membership largely made up of children and young people, whose parents are members of other churches. Attendance upon public worship is usually good The most of the members attend upon the Lord's Supper. No prayer meetings this season of the year, owing to the membership being somewhat scattered.

Bell's Valley—The attendance at prayer meeting good at all the appointments, and on the increase, if there is any noticeable change. No social meetings, such as city congregations are accustomed to. Spiritual state, average.

Harrisonburg—Congregation good, Sunday morning and night; Prayer meeting and the Lord's Supper fairly well attended. A Young Men's prayer meeting held every Friday evening—class meeting on Sunday. The spiritual condition of the church, though without any very marked improvement, is encouraging as to the future. Young people active in Epworth League work.

Bridgewater—Spiritual state of the church in a fairly good condition. Prayer meetings held at 5 appointments; not well attended. Communion services well attended. Congregations excellent, on preaching occasions.

Port Republic—Spiritual state of the church fair, Attendance upon the ordinances very good. Attendance upon the

social meetings very good, except the summer months; many of the people are farmers, they work late and thus deprive themselves of this means of grace.

Rockingham—Attendance upon the stated service and the Lord's Supper is good; upon prayer meetings and class meetings not good; cannot say as to family prayer. The spiritual state of the church is not the highest; more consideration and self-denial needed for the Lord's work.

East Rockingham — Spiritual state of the church fair. Sunday services well attended. Midweek prayer meeting poorly attended.

Luray—The spirituality of the congregation ranks with, or above, the average. Attendance upon the ordinances and social meetings good. The spiritual condition is best evidenced by the material enterprise now on hand; the building of a \$7,500 church; work progressing rapidly and harmoniously; corner stone laid August 3rd, 1899.

Shenandoah—"As to the spirtual state, and the attendance upon the ordinances and social meetings of the church," their is a serious lack of interest felt and seen all over the charge, in these services, efforts at improvement have failed so far.

Maysville—The church attendance is good, and likewise on social meetings. Some members show in their lives that they enjoy the presence of the Spirit, while others do not.

Mt. Jackson—The spiritual state of the church is not as it should be. Attendance upon the ordinances good. Social meetings not well attended. Revival needed at all points.

New Market—The spiritual condition in this charge is by no means flattering; some good spirited people; many who are cold and indifferent. Attendance upon public preaching, only tolerably good. Most of those who attend Communion services, commune. Prayer meetings poorly attended, especially by male members; family worship much neglected.

Augusta Circuit—Spiritual state about as last year; certainly no marked change, for better or worse. Sacrament of Lord's Supper, well attended. Weekly prayer meetings kept up at all five appointments; all are not highly spiritual, but many are faithful. Some families hold family prayer, but it is

found that many do not. Church papers not taken by majority of families.

Mt. Crawford—Our people enjoy religion and are loyal to their church; some backsliders who need to be reclaimed. The attendance upon all the public and social means of grace, is unusually good.

Elkton—There does not appear to be a freshet of spiritual life; we hope for some showers of grace, in the near future. Attendance good; prospects favorable for a fairly good year's work.

From the above reports, it will be seen that the spiritual state of the Church in the District is fairly good; in some places seemingly better than others, owing, possibly, to the surroundings at each particular point. Attendance upon preaching appears to be good. The Lord's Supper, while attended by many, is not attended in such numbers as such a gracious ordinance and precious means of grace should be. While the class meeting is rapidly becoming a thing of the past, a fact greatly to be deplored, as it was once a strong and distinctive feature of Methodism, infant baptism seems to be also greatly neglected, so far as these reports would indicate. But little reference is made to family prayer. This absolutely essential feature of the growth of religion in the family and consequently of the church, is either sadly neglected, or thoroughly overlooked in the reports submitted to this Conference; prayerless families cannot make praying congregations.

We feel assured, however, that there are many Godly men and women in all our congregations, whose lives are living epistles of the grace of God in the human heart, "known and read of all men," while there are many others who are neither "cold or hot," and right here we are truly "confronted with a condition and not a theory," and while a report from a former committee to the District Conference says that "this condition has always existed in the church and perhaps will continue, do what we may," are we doing all we can to relieve this state of affairs?

In offering suggestions along this line, we feel that we cannot do better than to repeat the following from the report of that same committee: "Preachers should be careful on re-

ceiving members into the church. In these times of many superficial conversions, there should be careful sifting and training of candidates before reception into the church."

Many church registers are doubtless encumbered with the names of persons who have not even the "form of Godliness," much less the power thereof, if such cannot be reclaimed, their names should be erased from the rolls of the church. We rest assured, however, that the preachers in charge of the various Circuits and Stations, know better than we do. What is best to be done in each particular case to help on the work, one important thing is to "take it to the Lord in prayer." Then let the church members hold up the hands of the preachers by prayer, and faith and Godly living, and the glorious work of saving souls will be blessed of the Lord from whom all our help must come, "for the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the putting down of strongholds."

J. R. ANDREW, Chairman.

D. H LEE MARTZ, Secretary.

On Missions, Etc.

A study of the reports; as furuished by the preachers in charge in the Rockingham District, reveals conditions as follows:

- 1. There is no occasion for the formation of new missions within our bounds. Some new territory is being worked, in connection with existing charges—involving extra labor, with small prospects of extra compensation—which is nothing more than we might expect from our preachers in the home field who are imbued with the missionary spirit.
- 2. From the reports from the several mission charges it would appear there is no urgent demand for the raising of any existing mission to the dignity of a Circuit or Station. On the contrary strong reasons are given for a continuance of the present *status quo*. But when we consider the demand this District annually makes on the Annual Conference Board for Home Mission funds, we are constrained to recommend that an earnest effort be made to make some of our mission charges self sustaining.

3. There seems to be a dearth of Woman's Societies in the interest of the Home and Foreign Missionary work. Harrisonburg has organized a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society since our last Annual Conference—which makes the fifth for the District. Besides we have three Home Missionary Societies. Some report organizations in prospect, and it is to be hoped that our District will soon emerge from the shadow under which she is resting at present, viz.: as standing last among the Districts in the matter of contributions to the Woman's Foreign work, and next to the last as to the Home work.

Respectfully submitted,

H. S. COE, JNO. S. RICHEY, I. B. KAGY.

On Finance.

Your Committee on Finance begs leave to make the following report:

FINANCIAL SYSTEMS.

Staunton—Has the envelope system and is well worked. Cannot tell from their report whether they are well up in their payments to this time or not.

East End and Marquis Memorial—Financial system is one of subscription. Pastor's and Presiding Elder's salary paid in full to date.

Harrisonburg—Has the envelope system and give it close attention. As a result, all their payments are up to this time.

Bridgewater—Assessment plan and collect quarterly. Envelope system has been tried and failed.

Mt. Crawford—The stewards use the envelope system to obtain the preacher's salary.

Parnassus—Has a financial system for raising preacher's salary. It is "Catch as catch can." Contributions coming up all O. K.

West Augusta-No report.

Augusta—The "old slip shod" method, get what you can at the end of the year, which makes the preacher hard up all the year and flush at the end.

Waynesboro—A desultory envelope system is in vogue in this charge. Envelopes are in evidence on all sides, but the system seems to be left to work itself.

New Hope—There is no well defined system of finance. Varying methods prevail at the different appointments. At one of them an effort is made to pay off at the end of a quarter. At other points there is an absence of a system and collections are deferred.

Rockingham—The prevailing system is the assessment plan.

East Rockingham—The envelope system used to raise the preacher's salary.

Elkton-No report.

Port Republic—Has the old financial system, which is no system.

Shenandoah—Has no special plan or system for raising money and consequently get very little.

Luray—Envelope system. Does very well when worked well.

New Market—New Market has the envelope and free-will system. It works smoothly, but seldom pays out. At other places have the Old Quarterly "I'll go round and see what I can get" system.

Mt. Jackson—Has no financial system.

Marksville—Has the assessment plan for raising finances. Fairfield—Has no financial system, scarcely any finances. Contributions are very small.

Rockbridge Baths—"Our stewards don't seem to have any system of raising finances. I have been trying to get them to adopt the assessment plan and use envelopes, but have not yet succeeded. The amount paid on preacher's salary is about double what it was this time last year."

Bell's Valley—Has the envelope system combined with the assessment plan of collecting the preacher's salary.

CHURCH PROPERTY.

Staunton—Church and Parsonage are in excellent condition.

East End and Marquis Memorial—Both churches are in good order. One Chapel in fairly good repair.

Harrisonburg—Church is in good condition. Auditorium richly renewed last year.

Bridgewater—All seven churches in excellent repair. One at Dayton a new brick church.

Mt. Crawford—Churches in fine condition.

Parnassus—Have four comparatively new churches.

Augusta—Building new church at Greenville. Other churches in fairly good repair.

Waynesboro—Our churches are in good condition.

New Hope — New churches at Crimora. Two other churches.

Rockingham—The churches are in fair condition.

McGaheysville—Two churches. One new; the other needs improving.

Port Republic—Three new churches. Other two in good condition.

Shenandoah — Our churches are in very good condition.

Luray—No church now. Are building a handsome \$7,500 church.

New Market-Churches in tolerably good condition.

Mt. Jackson-Church in good condition.

Fairfield—Four churches in fair condition.

Rockbridge Baths—One church needs repairs. Expect to build another soon.

Bell's Valley—Churches are in good condition. One has been completed this year.

PARSONAGES.

All charges from whom we have reports, have Parsonages but one—East End and Marquis Memorial.

The foregoing are extracts from Reports of Preachers made to your Committee. From them we can tell nothing as to the condition of their finances at present, excepting from four appointments, viz.: Harrisonburg, Parnassus, Waynesboro and East End and Marquis Memorial. We are not surprised to know that there are large deficiencies at many appointments when preachers, in making their reports, are compelled to say "We have no financial system," or "We have the old slipshod method," or "Catch as catch can."

Brethren of Official Boards, such a condition of things should not exist. Adopt some plan and give it the attention it deserves. You owe it to the Church and to God to attend to these matters as you would and do to your secular affairs. Experience has taught us that if you will adopt the system so frequently urged by this District Conference and will give it proper attention, you will succeed.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. DOLLY, J. P. HOUCK, A. LEE KNOWLES.

On Bible Cause.

Your Committee begs leave to report the information we have received from the following charges in the Rockingham District, on the Bible Cause:

Bro. F. J. Prettyman, writes from Staunton, as follows: "No collection has been taken as yet, but will be before the end of the Conference year."

Bro. Coe, writes from Waynesboro charge and says: "I have not yet learned of any work done by the American Bible Society in my charge. But will take a collection for it at an early date."

Bro. Harnsberger, writes from Bell's Valley. He states that the American Bible Society has an agent within my Circuit, who has Bibles for sale at every post office. What other work he has done, I don't know. You may report our collection taken and amounting to \$1.50.

Bro. Fultz, from Mt. Crawford writes: "Collections not yet taken for American Bible Society, but will be later."

Bro. J. Harry Smith, writes from Port Republic and states: "We never neglect the interest of the American Bible Society. Have not taken any collections as yet, but this matter will be attended to."

Bro. McNeer, writes from Rockbridge Baths, as follows: "The American Bible Society has done no work, that I am aware of, in the bounds of my work, since I have been here. I don't know that there is much that I can do in my immedi-

ate territory." The collection was taken up last year; but not for this, but will in due time.

Bro. Briley, of Mt. Jackson Circuit, states: "There is nothing done by the American Bible Society in my bounds that I know of. Collections have not been taken yet."

Bro. Sherman, of Luray, says: "The American Bible Society is doing no work in our midst that we know of. Our annual collection will be taken in due time."

Bro. Marsh, writes us from Fairfield Circuit, as follows: "There is no work being done by the American Bible Society in my charge. The collections have not yet been taken, but will be taken."

Bro. Dolley, writes us from Bridgewater Circuit and says: "I have not yet taken collections for Bible Society, and do not know just when I will; we will pay something, of course."

Bro. Jones, writes from East Rockingham Circuit, as folfows: "I do not know of any work the American Bible Society is doing within the bounds of my charge. A collection has been lifted for the Society according to the discipline."

Bro. Jeffries writes from East End and Marquis Memorial and Hammond Chapel: "We intend to make collections for the American Bible Society later on."

Bro. Hawk, wries from Elkton: "Nothing special has been done for the American Bible Society collections; will be taken later in the year."

Bro. A.'R. Martin, writes from New Hope Circuit: "No collections have yet been taken, but the pastor will preach in this interest at each appointment, and collections will be taken. There is need for a contribution from this Society of Bibles, to the Crimora Sunday School."

Bro. Cooper, writes from Keezletown and says: "I do not know of any special work the American Bible Society is doing on this charge. The collection for that cause has not been taken. Nothing special to report on that subject."

Bro. Ringer, writes from Parnassus, as follows: "Our collection for the American Bible Society has not as yet been lifted. We generally appoint a time when this collection is taken, generally in the fall. We shall take the collection as usual."

Bro. Henderson, writes from Shenandoah charge: "No collection yet taken on this charge for the American Bible Society."

Bro. Andrew, writes from Harrisonburg and states: "Collections for the American Bible Society for this year not yet taken."

Bro. Wheeler, writes from New Market charge and states: "We have held two special Bible Services, and taken collections amounting to \$4.00, which will be forwarded to the Treasurer of the Virginia Bible Society and receipt asked for to present to the committee on Bible cause at next Conference Session. A few American Bible Society books have been sold and donated in the charge this year. The work has been done by a local agent."

The collection for the American Bible Society has not yet been taken on West Augusta charge, but will be, and reported at our next Annual Conference. I have only found one family on my work destitute of the word of God, and I had them supplied at once.

Bro. Whitesell, writes from Augusta Circuit: "Collec-

tions taken, and \$9.16 collected."

From all that we can gather from the various charges on the Rockingham District, we find that where the collections for the American Bible Society have not been taken, they will be. To do this is now as binding on us as any other collection. We raised and reported in the Conference Minutes of last year forty-eight dollars (\$48). Two dollars less than the year before. Mt. Crawford is still the banner charge; it contributed seven dollars (\$7). We are satisfied that we still have the spirit of our forefathers in circulating and looking after the Bible Cause. It is said of the sainted Asbury, that even when old and feeble, he would carry Bibles with him in his carriage, and in passing through the country, he would distribute them, and at the same time, exclaim, "now I know that I am sowing good seed."

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. W. CANTER, A. COFFMAN.

On Twentieth Century Movement.

Whereas, Our last General Conference committed the Church, now numbering 1,500,000 members, to the raising of one dollar per member as a thank-offering to God, and to be applied to the educational institutions under our care, and

Whereas, Our last General Conference laid upon our membership an assessment of \$62,000, and

Whereas, it is designed to make this a voluntary offering on the part of our people,

Resolved, That we fully endorse the movement, and will do all in our power to bring it to a successful issue.

Resolved, that we have heard with pleasure the inspiring address of Dr. W. W. Smith, on this subject, and assure him of our co-operation in the effort to make the movement successful.

Respectfully,

J. R. ANDREW,

F. J. PRETTYMAN,

H. S. COE,

P. W. JEFFRIES,

R. M. WHEELER.

On Epworth League.

Reports have been received from all the charges of the District on the condition of the Epworth League work, and from them we are able to make the following statement:

Staunton—One Senior and one Junior.

East End and Marquis Memorial-One Senior League.

Harrisonburg-One Senior and one Junior.

Bridgewater—Two Seniors and one Junior. •

Mt. Crawford—One Senior and one Junior.

Parnassus—Two Seniors in prospect of organization.

Augusta—One Senior.

Waynesboro—One Senior and one Junior.

Rockingham—One Senior and one Junior.

East Rockingham—Two Seniors.

Elkton—One Senior.

Port Republic-One Senior and two Juniors.

Luray—One Senior.

New Market-One Senior.

Marksville-One Senior and one Junior.

Fairfield—Two Seniors.

Goshen-One Senior.

The following charges report no Leagues.

West Augusta, New Hope, Shenandoah, Rockbridge Baths, and Mt. Jackson.

Without entering into the details of the Reports which have been sent in from the various charges, we are glad to note that the League work of the District where they have been organized, are in the main in a prosperous and hopeful condition. And in those charges where there are no Leagues the preachers give due expression of their sense of the value of the League work.

We would suggest that since the League has become a part of our regular church work, that no charge should be considered fully organized or thoroughly equipped for its best work without one at each preaching appointment.

We are aware of the fact that in some appointments there is great difficulty in organization for a lack of suitable material, but we believe that wherever six or more young people can be secured, a charter ought to be obtained and a League organized.

We recommend a wider circulation of the "Epworth Era," which paper we believe to be of the highest order in its editorial department and thoroughly adapted to the needs of our League work.

We are glad to note the increasing missionary spirit of our Leagues and believe that their best efforts in this direction can be made in the line of our regular missionary assessments rather than in independent missionary work. With a League at every appointment and all of them engaged in the regular missionary work, we ought to be able at the next session of our Annual Conference to report the missionary assessment for the District paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,

F. J. PRETTYMAN.

On Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

There are now 12 Societies in this District; 6 adult and 6 juvenile.

One new Woman's Society was organized during the year—the one at Harrisonburg. And one Juvenile Society, which, for some years, had lanquished, has been revived very lately.

I am glad to report the Missionary spirit, among the women of the church much quickened during the year by the visit of our President, Mrs. A. W. Wilson.

I respectfully beg that the preachers all over the District give their aid to our department of this great Missionary work; that they notify me whenever they see it possible, to organize a society in their charges, knowing that it can but increase the general Missionary zeal to have a Woman's Society. And that the Presiding Elder give all the charges his thoughtful encouragement and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY JENNINGS, District Secretary.

On Woman's Home Missionary Society.

The following is a partial report:

Number of Societies, 4.

Number of Men	ibers	Copies of	Our	Homes
Staunton,	19.	6 6	"	1
Valley Mills,	14.	"	"	5
New Market,	9.	66	"	1
Keezletown,	6.	"	"	1
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Total,	48.			8

Much local work has been done of which we have no report at the present time.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. THOMAS COOPER,
District Secretary.

On Sunday Schools.

Your committee begs leave to submit the following report of the Sunday Schools of the District, gathered from the information given by the parties.

Staunton charge reports two schools in a most excellent condition. The station school is large, numbering 425 scholars. West End school is making good progress. Both organized into Missionary Societies.

East End has three Schools. Marquis Memorial, East End and Hammond Chapel. All are Missionary Societies and effective.

The Harrisonburg school sends in a very encouraging report. Well equipped in every way — a large attendance. They have also organized a school on the suburbs of the town, which has a hopeful outlook. Both schools are organized into Missionary Societies.

Bridgewater sends in a report of seven schools on the work—moving along prosperously and harmoniously. Four of the seven are organized into Missionary Societies. Expect to raise \$110.

Mt Crawford—This Circuit has three flourishing schools. All organized with Missionary Societies and doing good work.

Parnassus—There are four schools within the bounds of this work. Two of them are especially doing well.

West Augusta has three schools, numbering 120 scholars. All are Missionary.

Waynesboro charge has three schools. All use our lierature and the catechism. Two organized into Missionary Societies.

New Hope—There are three schools on this work. All use our literature. Membership increasing. All are organized into Missionary Societies.

Rockingham has three schools and an interest in a Union school. These are organized into Missionary Societies.

East Rockingham reports two schools. Missionary collection taken one Sunday in the month.

Elkton has two schools in fair condition. Special effort is being made to increase our school in every respect. One Missionary school.

Port Republic has five schools, conducted according to regular method, and three organized into missionary societies.

Shenandoah has one school doing good work, and a missionary school numbering 90.

Luray has two schools doing good work, and one missionary school. Will raise all mission collections.

New Market has two schools in fair condition. One a missionary society.

Mt. Jackson has three schools—Methodist. All Missionary.

Marksville has one school doing good work. A missionary school successful.

Fairfield has four schools doing well. All organized into missionary societies—successful.

Rockbridge Baths has two schools and one missionary society. Others will be organized as soon as possible.

Bell's Valley has three schools, one recently organized with 22 scholars. All organized into missionary societies.

Augusta has four schools in fair condition. All missionary societies.

The total number of schools in the District is 65 and of this number 50 are organized into missionary societies, according to the disciplinary injunction, page 247.

In these reports when schools are not missionary societies the preachers state, as soon as practicable, they intend to make missionary societies of them.

There is an expression of success along all lines and nearly all the preachers are hopeful in this great branch of church work, and we trust that in the satisfaction which naturally fills the hearts of sunday school workers when they see the labors of their hand being established upon them, there will be no slacking of effort, but that they will renew their zeal and dilligence for still greater success and victory during the remaining months of this Conference year.

Very respectfully submitted,

J. C. HAWK, A. LEE KNOWLES, J. F. WAGNER.

On Quarterly Conference Records.

The Committee appointed to examine the Quarterly Conference Records, presents the following report:

The following Records were before the Committee and were examined: Staunton, New Market, West Augusta, Rockbridge Baths, New Hope, East End and Marquis Memorial, Parnassus, Waynesboro, and Harrisonburg.

These Records were found to be in proper form.

We suggest, that those charges using the Form Book, provide themselves with the book which conforms to the changes made by the last General Conference in the order of Quarterly Conference business.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS COOPER, A. LEE KNOWLES, H. G. BARNHART.



REV. P. H. WHISNER, D. D.,
Presiding Elder Rockingham District,
M. E. Church, South,
from
March, 1895, to May, 1898,
when he was elected
Secretary of Board of Church Extension,
by General Conference.



Minutes-

OF THE Fourth Annual Session OF THE

Rockingham District Epworth League Conterence,

: : : HELD AT : : :

MT. CRAWFORD, VA.

August 10-11, 1899.

PROCEEDINGS.

Fourth Annual Session of the Rockingham District Epworth League Conference opened at Mt. Crawford, Va., August 10th, 1899, at 3 P. M. Rev. B. V. Switzer in the chair.

A song service of 15 minutes was conducted by Rev. Jas. E. Armstrong, followed by prayer; after which enrollment of delegates took place.

List of Delegates.

Staunton—Rev. F. J. Prettyman; J. W. Campbell, C. R. Knowles, Mrs. Swartzel; Misses Nannie R. Taylor, Florence Earman, Lizzie Sheppe. Junior League—Harry Humphries, Noble Maxwell.

East End and Marquis Memorial—Rev. P. W. Jeffries; Misses Mamie West, May Catt.

Fairfield—Rev. W. H. Marsh; A. E. Fultz; Misses Edna Wilburne, Lizzie Topping.

Mt. Crawford—Rev. R. L. Fultz; C. C. Proctor; Misses Nellie Linden, Ollie Funkhouser, Mary Shinnick, Nellie Burgess; Geo. Keyser, W. E. Shinnick, John Jenkins. Junior League—Misses Mabel May, Clara Saunders.

East Rockingham-Rev. L. R. Jones; Mr. Coffman.

Waynesboro-Rev. H. S. Coe; Misses Lula Bush, Annie Coe.

Port Republic-Rev. J. Harry Smith; Misses Mattie Maupin, Mamie Lamb.

Augusta-Revs. W. J. Whitesell, G. H. Fielding.

Bridgewater—Revs. W. L. Dolly, B. V. Switzer, Jno. F. Kline; Misses Katie Sheets, Della Shrum, Virginia Byrd.

New Market-Rev. R. M. Wheeler; Mrs. R. M. Wheeler.

Parnassus—Rev. J. J. Ringer; Mrs. J. J Ringer; Jno. S. Richey, Jno. E. Johnson, Stewart L. Johnson; Misses Gussie Johnson, Mary Johnson, Carrie Richey, Bessie Richey.

Harrisonburg—Rev. J. R. Andrew; A. L. Taylor, Jno. S. Bradley, E. C. Wilton; Misses Margaret Taylor, Mable McAlister.

Rockingham—Rev. Thos. Cooper; Mrs. Thos. Cooper; Misses Florence Koontz, Cora White; Mrs. Lambert. Junior League—Miss Gertrude Armentrout.

On motion of Rev. F. J. Prettyman, the following Committees were appointed by the chair:

Committee on Enrollment-Rev. R. L. Fultz, W. E. Shennick, Nellie Linden.

Committee on Nominations—Revs. Jas. E. Armstrong, J. R. Andrew, W. H. Marsh, F. J. Prettpman; J. W. Campbell.

Committee on Resolutions—Revs. H. S. Coe, G. H. Fielding; A. L. Taylor; Misses Nannie Taylor, May Catt.

Committee on Publication of Minutes—Revs. W. L. Dolly, H. S. Coe, J. Harry Smith.

Rev. H. S. Coe moved that each member of the Epworth League constitute himself and herself a committee of one on introduction. Carried.

The Session, on motion, adjourned with doxology and benediction.

THURSDAY, 8 P. M.

The Session was opened with religious services conducted by Rev. J. J. Ringer.

Rev. R. L. Fultz, delivered the address of welcome; which, in the absence of Ed. S. Conrad, was responded to by Rev. F. J. Prettyman.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. J. R. Andrew, from text found in Acts 1:8.

FRIDAY, 9 A. M.

The League Conference opened at 9 A. M. Rev. B. V. Switzer, President, in the chair.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. G. H. Fielding.

Minutes of preceding session read and approved.

The program of the morning was taken up, and discussed as follows:

Open Conference on the First Department of League Work, by Rev. H. S. Coe.

The following took part in the Open Conference:—Revs. Jas. E. Armstrong, W. H. Marsh, J. Harry Smith, J. R. Andrew; J. W. Campbell.

Mr. Geo. N. Conrad delivered an address on the question, "What may the 20th Century expect of the Epworth League?"

Rev. W. L. Dolly addressed the Conference on "Religious Enthusiasm, its Use and Abuse."

The Question Box was then opened by Rev. J. Harry Smith.

League adjourned with benediction by Rev. W. L. Dolly.

FRIDAY 3. P. M.

Conference opened with President in the chair.

Song service conducted by Geo. T. Shinnick.

Minutes of morning session read and approved.

Report of Committee on Publication of Mintues was submitted and read, and on motion, it was adopted.

We, your Committee on Publication, offer the following resolutions for your action:

Resolved, 1st. That we have the Minutes of the Epworth League Conference published, and not to occupy more than twenty pages.

Resolved, 2nd. That we now proceed to secure \$15.00 which the said publication shall cost us, by subscribing for the same.

Resolved, 3rd. That the roll be not called, but that a Committee of two be appointed by the Chair to canvass the Conference.

W. L. DOLLY, J. HARRY SMITH, H. S. COE. A Paper on Methods in the Second Department was read by Miss Laura Shepp, and Open Conference led by J. W. Campbell.

Report of District Secretary was submitted and read, and on motion was adopted.

Report of District Superintendent of Junior Work was read and adopted.

Committee on Nominations submitted its report. The following officers were nominated by the Committee and elected by the Conference:

Rev. B. V. Switzer, President.

Geo. N. Conrad, 1st Vice President.

Miss Florence Earman, 2nd Vice-President.

Miss Willie Bush, 3rd Vice-President.

Mrs. J. Harry Smith, Superintendent of Junior Work.

Miss A. Byrd Linden, Corresponding Secretary.

Wm. B. Dutrow, Secretary.

The Committee on Resolutions presented their report, which was adopted.

Rev. P. W. Jeffries delivered an address on "League Work in the Mother Church."

Committee on Publication reported success in raising necessary amount for printing minutes.

Conference adjourned with benediction by Rev. R. M. Wheeler.

FRIDAY, 8 P. M.

Session opened with President in the Chair.

Religious services conducted by the President elect, Rev. B. V. Switzer.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Rev. J. E. Armstrong moved that a committee be appointed to select a place for holding the next Conference. It was carried and the following committee appointed by the Chair: Rev. Jas. E. Armstrong, Rev. B. V. Smitzer and Rev. J. Harry Smith.

Committee on Enrollment submitted its report and on motion it was adopted.

Rev. F. J. Prettyman delivered an address on "The Mind of Methodism in its Relation to the Needs of our Times."

A duet was sung by Mrs. Bernard W. Switzer and Miss Nora Beery.

Collection was taken for expenses of the Conference.

The Choral Union rendered "The Golden Gate."

The Fourth Session of the Epworth League Conference closed by singing hymn 304—"God be with you 'till we meet again."

Benediction by Rev. F. J. Prettyman.

League Work in the Mother Church.

- BY -

REV. P. W. JEFFRIES.

The age in which we live has often been designated "A Young People's Age." And there has certainly never been a time in the history of the world, or the church, when so much prominence was given to young people—their interests and their work.

The formation of Young-People's Societies seems to have become a necessity, and in each Church we find them with the same object, and very much the same characteristics, though under varied names.

It seems to me very natural to speak on the Wesley-Guild, or as it is called on the bills "League-Work in the Mother-Church."

The Society of Christian-Endeavor has been known in England for some years and its good work has been very highly appreciated. It is carried on chiefly in connection with the Congregational, Baptist, and Primitive-Methodist Churches. The Minor Methodist Churches have also taken it up extensively.

The Mother-Church which is the largest of these Churches and prefers to move with the deliberation worthy of such a strong body, considered the matter for some time. It desired to establish a society for its young people, which, while embracing, as far as possible all the fresh thought, feeling and modern ideas of the Christian-Endeavor, would be in perfect harmony with the spirit and organization of our Methodist Church.

Several attempts were being made; numbers of our Churches had Christian Endeavors, others had Christian Workers Associations.

Amongst the names dear to every Methodist heart—old and young—Epworth is one of the dearest. Epworth has been called the "Mecca of Methodism." And from across the seas, from whence so many fresh and good ideas have come, came word of your Epworth-League.

The result was a thorough enquiry into all the young people's societies, especially the Society of Christian-Endeavor, the Epworth-Leagues of the United States and Canada, the Guilds of the Scotch and Welsh Churches.

The result, after much consideration, was the formation of the Wesley-Guild, in 1895. An organization in which it was tried to unite all the brightness of the Christian-Endeavor, combined with the earnestness and denominational spirit of the Epworth-League.

The purpose of the Guild is summed up in the phrase: "Comradeship in the highest aims of life."

Or as it has been expressed :-

1st-To make Young Christians.

2nd-To make young Christians work.

3rd—To make young Christians work to the greatest advantage.

The result has been, to use the words of the Wesley Guild Manual:—

1st—It has supplied a felt need.

2nd--It has proved the missing link between the Sunday School and Church.

3rd—It has proved an admirable base of operation for ministerial work.

4th—It has strengthened existing membership in the

church, tended to make it real and effective, and created new interest in the class meeting.

5th—It has attracted large numbers of thoughtful young people, scarcely touched by the ordinary agencies, and brought them into close sympathy with the church.

6th-And lastly; it has resulted in many places in a revival.

A great need has long been felt in our church, for a society in which all our young people should be gathered and banded together.

We had Mutual Improvement Societies, Tract Societies, Mission Bands, Experience and Social Meetings; but we wanted a society where all these might be represented, where we could all meet on common ground, with one centre and each one could help the other.

We, the young people of Methodism, wanted an organization in perfect harmony with the grand and noble spirit of our church, to unite us all together—ready to take up any work suitable for young men and young women that might present itself to us.

We know the advantage of our splendid Circuit System, in the comparative ease with which a new place could be opened and its pulpit supplied. The organization is there ready to hand. How many opportunities would have to be neglected if it were not?

Being Methodists, we have learned the immense value of suitable organizations, the inspiration of combination. This we have in the Wesley Guild.

The question has often been asked what are the essentials of a Wesley Guild?

They are very few:

1st—Our members are of three classes and take suitable pledges.

2nd—Whatever other meetings are held, a devotional meeting is invariably held.

3rd—Some active work for Christ is taken up by every member.

4th—Each Guild is united with the central organization of our church.

There are three classes of members:

Active—The heart and soul of the Guild; members of our church, regularly attending class, and prepared to take part in the devotional meetings.

Companion—Equally in sympathy with the Guild but not pledged as active members.

Associate—Older friends, young in heart; who wish to encourage the work by their association with it.

The Guild is governed by its Executive Committee.

This consists of the Guild Officers; leaders of Junior Society Classes; representatives of Leaders' Meetings, Sunday School, and branch sections of the Guild.

The various branches of the work in the Guild are looked after by Sectional Officers and Committees, all being subject to the Executive Committee.

An Annual Business Meeting of the whole Guild is held when the various officers and sectional Committees are appointed, together with the Guild representatives to the Executive Committee.

The distinguishing elements of the meetings are many, but first and foremost there is the

Devotional—A distinctly Devotional Meeting being held once a month. Here we may have all the best features of our Experience Meetings, Prayer Meetings and Bible Classes, adapted to the present day. Every active member is pledged to be present, and is ready to take his part. This is the meeting that gives the tone to all.

Intellectual—These matters are not forgotten and the propability is that two or three evenings each month will be largely literary.

The friendly spirit of the Guild necessitates some Social Gatherings, where each member will do his best to bring in all the brightness of the happiest home; music, refreshments, conversation, will all help towards a delightfully home-like evening, which will close with the reading of God's Word, a hymn and prayer as we gather round the family altar. This is the evening of all evenings, when we can welcome the young people who have recently come to our town, and after the welcome they receive, they are not likely to say they have never been taken any notice of.

Every Guild has to be wide-awake and keep its eyes open. Hence its Look-out Committee and Look-out Secretary. They meet as occasion requires. They are on the look-out for all that is good. Their representatives are found in the various shops and stores; in different parts of the Church and Sunday School, they are on the look-out for the new comer to our town or church; the sick and afflicted, they report to the committee. Here suitable persons are appointed to visit them, and the ministers are informed. A band of District Visitors is organized to give the word of hearty invitation to the Special People's Service on Sunday evening.

Given the right man as secretary, and no one can measure the possibilities of this committee's usefulness.

You will see from this that though the object of the Wesley Guild is the same as that of the Epworth League, there are some differences in organization.

I have often felt, that the saving of the Guild from becoming a mere Literary Society on the one hand, or a Class Meeting on the other, has been its Look-out department.

There are one or two branches of its work to which I must refer.

Its work in the town:

The Monthly People's Service—When by an organized house-to-house visitation, an attractive programme by the choir, an appropriate address by the Minister, a special effort is made to reach the masses outside God's house.

Its work in the country:-

The Cycle Brigade—By which during the summer months, the pleasure taken by the young people in the "wheel" was turned into practical Christian effort. The Brigade going out at regular intervals on the weekly half-holiday to the neighbouring villages holding out-door and in-door services, and so strengthening the causes that were often weak, and creating a strong bond of sympathy between town and country.

All these societies have one great purpose; Epworth Leagues and Wesley Guilds are especially one; each is the adaptation of the same principles to its own church.

And the whole Methodist Church is one. The Mother Church is full of interest and sympathy with the Methodist

Churches across the great seas, and rejoices in the magnificent success with which God has crowned their efforts.

The rest of the world knows that Americans and Englishmen are cousins, but American Methodists and English Methodists are not cousins, we are brothers;—in work, in purpose, in sympathy, in love, in Christ.

The Epworth League is the Wesley Guild of America. The Wesley Guild is the Epworth League of England.

Methods in the Second Department,

BY MISS LAURA SHEPPE.

As Epworth Leaguers let us study carefully and prayerfully what the nature of our work is and to the very best of our ability let us do it. Let us measure up to our full capacity as young Christians and work in the most useful and appropriate way.

Instead of calling the Second Department of League work—"the Charity and Help Department," I would it were named—The Love and Help Department. While charity in Bible language means love, we are so prone to hold to the idea that it means something quite different, as for instance, the giving to the needy an old garment or a slice of bread. But love and charity in the true sense are synonymous. "Real love possesses our whole soul; there is nothing we would not do." The storehouse of love is inexhaustible.

In order to love the helpless and unfortunate in life, and to render them assistance cheerfully and sympathetically, we can only do so by knowing and loving the God of Love; who is rich in mercy, for his great love, wherewith he loved us—that in the ages to come, He might show the exceeding riches of his grace in kindness towards us in Christ Jesus.

As nothing can ever be attained without well directed labor, the Second Vice-President and her Committee ought to be made up of members who have earnestness of purpose, and can comprehend and apply the principles which develop traits of benevolence and kindness. If she has not enough love in her heart to strive to make her work the best

in the League, by earnest energetic toil, the Department will fall short of the ideal our founders had in mind when they created the Department. She must be willing to make many sacrifices and "suspend self indulgence" for the sake of the glorious end at which she aims.

Department work in all organizations is commensurate with the zeal and activity of the leaders. Briefly let us enumerate the duties of the Department. Visiting the sick; helping the poor; clothing the naked; feeding the hungry; carrying flowers to the sick and tempting food to the invalid; giving to mission schools and orphan homes; securing positions for poor boys and girls; furnishing reading rooms. Thus opening up to some aspiring mind the way to a better life, and in a hundred other ways bring real help and hope to some poor unfortunate creature for whom Christ had enough love to die.

Again. The Chairman of this Department, together with not less than three or more than five (very large committees seldom do the best work), congenial workers can so stimulate the other members and render so much efficient assistance to their pastor, that their power and influence will be felt throughout a whole community. To reach the best results, the work ought to be done prudently and systematically, in an intelligent way. Each League, however, must be a law unto itself. The environments of no two Leagues are exactly the same. The great latent principle only remains unchanged, that is, to be the greatest possible help to the greatest possible number and to have an unfeigned love for our fellow-creatures, and an unwearied desire and labor to do them good continually.

Great is the responsibility of the Chairman and her coworkers. They must be full of love for their share of the work, and ingenious to devise their own methods and plans. The methods employed must grow out of the need of each League. It is well to remember that assistance going out from this Department was not intended to be limited to numbers and adherents of the Methodist Church only; but wherever there is a soul in want, no matter of what denomination, there our work lies. We were confidently told we would have the poor with us always; so in every community there will ever be some who deserve our attention and rightly claim our help in a substantial way. How to meet these emergencies our intelligent leader will always devise some plan. The method evolves itself according to the circumstances.

Again. The workers in this Department can render valuable service to their pastor when once they have been made to see and understand and appreciate the heavy responsibility resting upon him.

Don't be afraid to assume great responsibilities; doing so becomes a means of League growth, and those who help in such work, receive more benefit than those to whom aid is given. Therefore, meet responsibilities and reach out for large opportunities and live; otherwise death ensues. When stagnation sets in, in a League, spiritual death follows. sketching a book written more than a century ago by Philip Doddridge, I came to this paragraph: "Would every thriving family in a town who are able to afford help on such occasion, cast a pitying eye on one poor family and take it under their patronage, to assist in feeding and clothing and teaching the children; in supporting it in affliction, in defending it from wrong and in advising those that have the management of it, as circumstances might require, how great a difference would soon be produced in the character and circumstances of the community." This is a good hint to be brought before an Epworth League; and education and training in League work might hasten such a happy result.

There are some in every community, honest industrious and worthy, who are making a hard struggle in life for bare necessities. By helping such it often happens that we are not only ministering to their temporal necessities, but very often "set them, as it were, in the way of God's steps."

The League in the country or small town will not have the same opportunity for extensive usefulness as the City League, where there are prisons, infirmaries, &c. But in every community there is work of some sort if it is sought. Some one has well said—"What men want is not talent, it is purpose; in other words, not the power to achieve, but the will to labor."

Wadsworth wrote:

The best portion of a good man's life His little nameless un-numbered acts Of kindness and love. Dr. Chalmers exhorts us to live for something! Do good and leave behind you a monument of virtue, that the storm of time can never destroy.

Write your name in kindness and love and mercy on the hearts of thousands, you come in contact with year by year, and you will never be forgotten.

Your name, your deeds, will be as legible on the hearts you leave behind, as the stars on the brow of the evening.

Good deeds will shine as the stars of Heaven.

Every Epworth League is divided into three classes, viz: Workers, Jerkers and Shirkers. These characteristics need no explanation. We all know what they mean and have seen the qualities demonstrated. The ratio of these three classes can be illustrated thus: In a League of 60 members there will be fifteen workers, fifteen jerkers and thirty shirkers; and it will take very efficient leaders to succeed in getting those thirty members to work; but by patient, earnest toil it can be done.

Let us as Leaguers enter into the feeling and spirit of the following lines and live them:

Into a world of struggle and strife,
Of manifold ills and crowded life,
Where virtues are sold for what they bring,
And wrong runs riot and Mammon is king;
Into a world of pain and passion,
Where Bacchus reigns and drink is the fashion,
Where sordid self and grasping greed,
Are more inviting than Christian creed;
Into this world of sorrow and shame
On a summer's morn an angel came,
Bringing to want and woe and fatigue
The Gilead Balm—The Epworth League.

The Epworth League! What memories cling
Around the sweep of that Angel's wing!
What charity, mercy, help and hope,
And light to those who in darkness grope!
The Epworth League! in this sin-cursed earth,
How many can sing thy matchless worth?
How many can tell of the weary hours
Into which the sunshine came—and the flowers,
When feverish, friendless, faint and ill,
They fell asleep at thy "Peace be still!"

And how oft thy literary halls,

Where knowledge waits and where wisdom calls,

Are thronged with the restless feet of youth,

Who pass thy portals in search of truth!

All hail to thee! may thy mission grow,

As long as the tears of sorrow flow,

Into a world of woe and dark intrigue

God speed the work of the Epworth Ceague.

Report of Corresponding Secretary.

In reply to letters written to the various Pastors and from the Conference Minutses, etc., I have gained the following information concerning Epworth League work in this District:

Staunton—One Senior League, 125 members; one Junior League, 75 members; both in an excellent condition. Prospect for the future is very good.

East End—One Senior League, 29 members; this League is in a fairly good condition. Prospect good.

Harrisonburg—One Senior League, 85 members, one Junior League, 50 members; both are in a flourishing condition, working earnestly in all the departments.

Bridgewater—One Senior and one Junior League; membership 37. The Junior League on this charge has not been organized long. The Senior League is in a good condition.

Mt. Crawford—One Senior League, 82 members; one Junior League, 22 members; both are in a very good condition. The Junior League has been organized about six months.

Parnassus-No Leagues.

West Augusta—No Leagues. The Pastor hopes that he may be able to prepare the way, at last for League work on this charge.

Augusta-One Senior League, 20 to 25 members; this League is doing fairly well. Two Leagues on this charge have been suspended. The Pastor reports that, with good leaders, Leagues could be kept up at all of the five appointments.

Waynesboro—Two Senior and one Junior League; memberrhip 148. These Leagues are not in so prosperous a condition.

New Hope—The League at this point is not now in operation nor is there any immediate prospect of its reorganization.

Rockingham—One Senior League, 45 members; one Junior League, 26 members. The Senior League is in a good condition, and the Junior League, which has been organized but a short while, is starting off well.

East Rockingham -- Two Senior Leagues, membership 100. These Leagues are working fairly well; prospect for League work in the future is good.

Elkton-One Senior League, Membership about 30; this League is promising, though not fully started.

Port Republic—One Senior League, membership 25; two Junior Leagues, membership 110. All are in a good condition, excepting that one Junior League does not keep up well in the summer, but flourishes the balance of the year. Prospect or the organization of another Senior League on this charge.

Shenandoah--No Leagues, and no prospect for the organization of a League on this charge.

Luray—One League reported at Annual Conference, membership 36.

New Market—The League at this point was in a dying condition at the time the Pastor sent his report, and has not since been reorganized.

Mt. Jackson-No report received.

Marksville-Two Leagues, 65 members.

Fairfield—Two Senior Leagues, membership 65; one is in a good condition; the other has just recently been organized, but is making a good start.

Bell's Valley—One Senior League; this League has been almost broken up by the closing of a tannery. Present membership is not more than 10, but stills works well in its devotional department.

Rockbridge Baths-No report.

As far as I have been able to learn, the total number of Leagues in the District is 27; with a membership of 1,188. Four of the Leagues that were reported at the Annual Conference have been discontinued, while two new ones have been organized.

Respectfully submitted,

BYRD LINDON,

Aug. 8th, 1899.

District Corresponding Secretary.

Report of Junior League Superintendent.

I have written to the pastors of all charges where I knew Junior Leagues had been organized, and also where I had heard of new Leagues having been organized during the past year, and submit the following report:

Harrisonburg,	60	members
Marksville,	20	6.6
Waynesboro,	40	6.6
Port Republic,	45	6.6
Grottoes,	65	4 6
Mt. Crawford,	22	6 6
Keezletown,	26	6 0
Staunton,	75	6 6
Mt. Solon,	11	"
Total,	364	

An increase of three new Leagues, and only 78 members over the membership of last year.

The Superintendent of the Harrisonburg League gives a most encouraging report of their work. "The members take great interest in the work, and are always ready to respond to duty's call." They appear to be very greatly interested in Missionary work, and are doing good work, especially in the third department.

Brother Parrott gives a good account of the Marksville League: "The members are carefully instructed, and take much interest in learning how to sing and in the study of the Bible. The League is doing good work, and good results are being manifested."

The report from Waynesboro, I am sorry to say, is not so encouraging. The Secretary says: "We have not accomplished anything more than to keep up our regular devotional meetings every Sunday afternoon."

"The League at Port Republic is in an excellent condition. The Leaguers are interested in the study of the Bible, and the Wesleyan Catechism. They are also studying our Articles of Religion."

"The League at Grottoes is in better condition than last summer, but not nearly so well attended as in the fall and winter."

"The League at Mt. Crawford is yet in its infancy, having been organized in February, 1899, and is in a fairly good condition."

The League at Keezletown has also been organized during the past year, and "is doing fairly well."

Staunton League is doing fairly well, especially along the line of Bible study. The attendance is not what it should be. While we have added a number of new members during the past year, the loss in numbers is accounted for by the fact of the removal of over 20 members from the city, and during the almost five years of our existence as a League, a large number have passed the age limit, and although some of the number still hold their membership, some have united with our Senior League, and make first-class Seniors. Only three of our number have joined the Great League above since our organization. One of the Leaders, a consecrated young lady; one of our little active members, and one of the dear little members of our "Baby Roll." God has been very good to us as a League. To Him be all the glory for any measure of success which He has given us.

There is one very sad feature connected with these reports. For the first time in our history, we have no report of conversions among the Juniors. As the conversion of the children is the principal object of our League work, may God give us the souls of our Juniors next year, and may He grant that we may never have to make such a report again.

Respectfully submitted,

NANNIE R. TAYLOR, Superintendent Junior League Work.

Since making this report, I have heard of the organization of a colored Junior League at Port Republic, which meets at the parsonage every Sunday afternoon. "While there is a membership of only six, they are quite interested and learn fast."

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

Inasmuch as the following resolution was passed by the District Conference, viz.:

Resolved, That the best Missionary work can be done on the line of the regular Missionary Assessment of the Church,

Therefore be it Resolved 1st, That we will acquiesce in this resolution of the District Conference, and that we pledge the Church our best effort to bring up the Assessment on every charge, so that the whole amount asked for from this District may be reported paid in full at our next Conference.

Resolved 2nd, That we express our appreciation of the efforts of the Epworth League Editor of the "Baltimore Christian Advocate" to make the paper interesting and helpful to Leaguers; and we will seek to extend the circulation of the "Advocate".

Resolved 3rd, That we cannot too highly recommend the "Epworth Era," the official organ of our Leagues, and the Leaguers cannot secure a periodical that will prove more instructive, entertaining and helpful to them in their proper work.

Resolved 4th, That we have greatly enjoyed our brief stay among the people of Mt. Crawford, and heartily thank them for the cordial reception and generous entertainment afforded us. We hope to come again and stay longer.

Resolved 5th, That Miss Laura Sheppe be requested to furnish a copy of her paper on Methods in the Second Department, for publication in the minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

H. S. COE.